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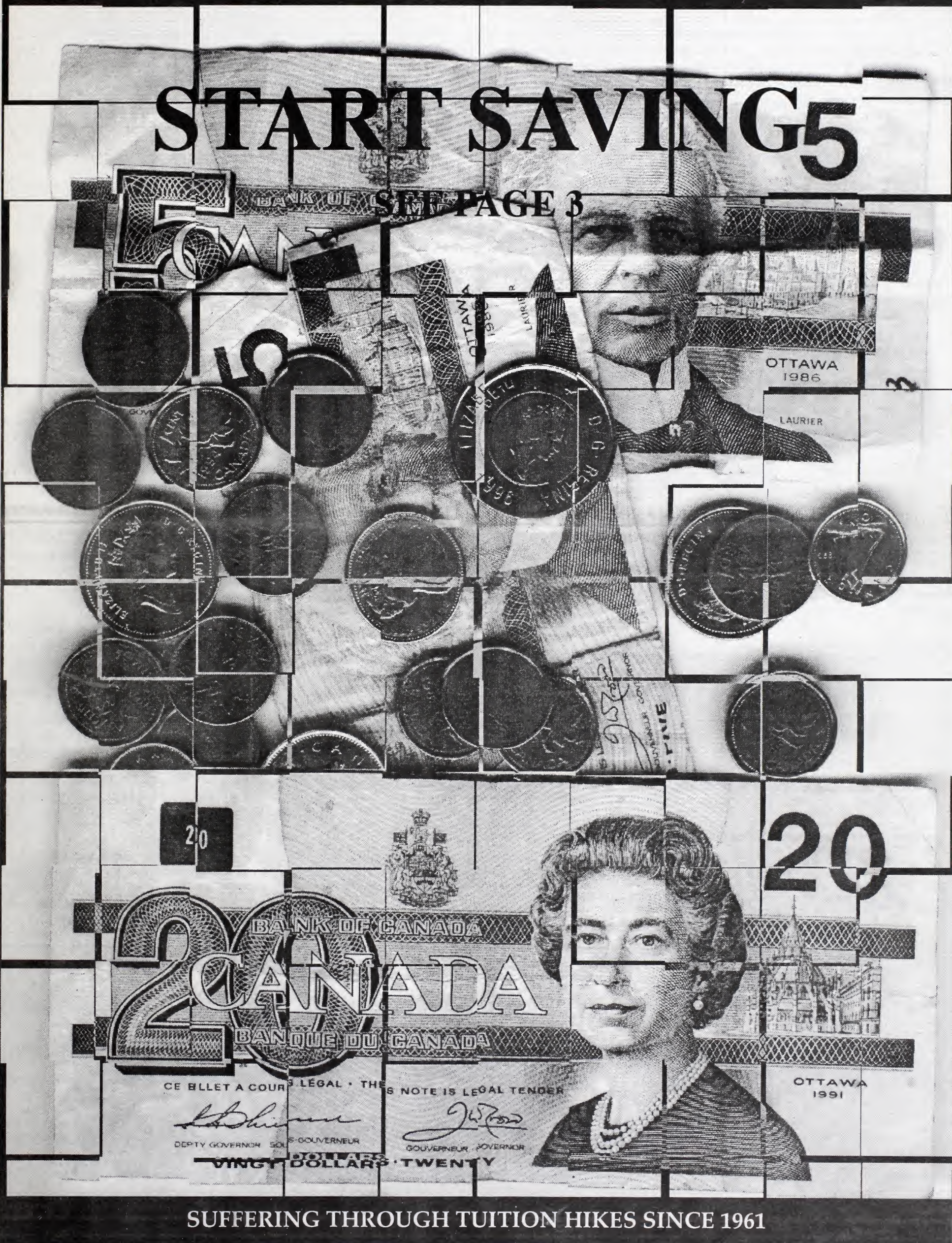
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Some debts are fun when you are
acquiring them, but none are fun when
you set about retiring them.

Ogden Nash

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SUFFERING THROUGH TUITION HIKES SINCE 1961

Carleton Students win partial victory

by Rachel Furey and Stu Clark
The Fulcrum/National Office (CUP)

When a group of angry students took over the president's office at Carleton University to protest increased tuition fees, the end result seemed all too predictable.

After all, the previous two weeks saw angry student groups at

three other Ontario universities take over their presidents' offices and all three groups gave up their occupations with no discernable gains.

But Carleton was different. Instead of denouncing the protestors -- as the three other university presidents had done -- Carleton president Richard Van Loon agreed with them and denounced the government.

In an open letter to Ontario's education minister John Snoblen, Van Loon wrote: "We must keep tuition

fees at a level that will ensure both quality and accessibility of education. However, the recent cuts to postsecondary education funding have severely threatened all Ontario Universities' ability to fulfil this mandate."

The letter then asked the government to increase postsecondary education spending to the average level of all 10 Canadian provinces. Currently, Ontario spends less per capita on its universities and colleges than any other province.

Van Loon's letter, along with concessions on a series of other student demands was enough to end the occupation. But the students were not completely victorious as the university will still raise tuition fees by 10 per cent next year.

It was a Feb. 5 government announcement allowing universities to increase tuition fees by up to 10 per cent that sparked the protests and had angry students hauling their sleeping bags to administration buildings across the province.

Students at the University of Toronto began the trend when they took over the office of Robert Prichard on Feb. 10. Unlike his coun-

terpart at Carleton, Prichard didn't negotiate with students. Instead he sent out a press release calling for deregulation of tuition fees so he could increase fees by more than 10 per cent.

While the U of T protestors gave up after 97 hours, groups at York University and the University of Guelph took up the cause and took over their presidents' offices. But, like the students at U of T, they finally gave up their occupations amidst threats from university administrators.

While Van Loon didn't agree with the student protestors on the need for the tuition increase, he says he shares their concerns on the direction Ontario's government is taking universities.

"We both strongly believe the government is close to destroying postsecondary education in this province," he said.

"I would feel the same way as [students] do in their situation, but I have no choice but to recommend the [10 per cent] increase."

While his willingness to talk to students might win him friends on campus, Van Loon could find him-

self a very unpopular man the next time Ontario's university presidents gather together. The assorted presidents have been among the loudest voices demanding universities be allowed to increase tuition fees to make up for cutbacks in government funding.

That's why students have been occupying their president's office instead of the provincial legislature, says Brad Lavigne of the Canadian Federation of Students. He adds it is important to remind students of the link between cuts to the federal and provincial budgets and the tuition increases, especially with a federal election only a few months away.

"These protests will help inject a level of militancy during the federal election," he said adding that students will be demanding more money for universities, solutions to the growing student debt problem and a job creation plan during the election campaign.

Meanwhile the protests on campus aren't over. Lavigne says a few more campuses are considering occupations, and their is talk of a province wide protest in March.

University teaches students to hack computer system

by Tracy E. Frauzel
The Fulcrum (CUP)

For University of Ottawa computer science students cheating on exams could be as easy as paying attention in class.

Computer science professor George White teaches a course that shows students how to obtain information from their local computer networks. The course focuses on how to interpret codes that reveal information such as the origin, destination and route of E-mail messages.

But in the meantime students are also learning to use the same devices to track down information passing on the university system including exams and marks.

Wajdi Feghali, a fourth year math and computer science student, is concerned about the possibility of students viewing course marks as they are transferred between administrators and professors.

"A student could acquire a piece of equipment and sniff the network, and by (using sniffers) they are looking at the data being transferred. So not only could you see the marks of all the students, there may be other sensitive information being sent by professors, secretaries and faculty members," said Feghali.

A sniffer is a computer device or programs that allows a user to view all the information passing on a computer network. A computer on a network will only accept information destined for its address, but sniffers pull in all the information passing by on that network.

Pierre Paquette, Director of Engineering at TimeStep Corporation, which manufactures products for network security, says that sniff-

ing is very easy without proper security.

"A student studying (computer networks) would be able to write a sniffer within a day or two, and even within five days be able to make it so specific that it will only pull out information destined to a specific server -- it's that easy."

Students in White's class have access to sniffers and could use them to view E-mail messages sent by other users on their network. But White said "there are easier ways of compromising security than that."

"If you really wanted someone's assignment and you know it's in the computer system somewhere, you get onto the disk, and there are a number of ways of doing that and (then) you get it right off the disk," White explains.

Since White knows how easy it is to access someone else's files, he takes special measures to protect information at exam time. "I teach computer science students and I know they can get in."

But Peter Hickey, assistant

director of communication services at the U of O, is confident that the campus computer networks are safe from sniffing devices. "I'd really be surprised if a student in a lab can sniff at (information being sent by) a professor or secretary."

But White said it's not only possible, it's done at the U of O.

"If you have the resources and the stamina, you can get in. The thing that protects us here at the university is that there isn't anything anyone wants to know, just some kids out for mischief."

Hickey contends that there are mechanisms in place at the U of O to prevent sniffing but did not want to describe them for security reasons. He said "if somebody wants to get marks changed, they'd be much more successful to bribe someone to do it than they would be to go across the network."

According to Racine, there are ways to prevent sniffing, but the cost of acquiring and administering such a system is too expensive for universities to afford.

Budget highlights

Postsecondary education played a large role in Paul Martin's federal budget. Some highlights:

- Education tax credit for full-time student will increase from \$100 to \$150 per month. They will go up to \$200 per month in 1998.
- Tuition tax credit now includes all mandatory fees charged by universities and colleges except student association fees.
- Students can now carry forward all unused portions of these tax credits to future years.
- The interest-free grace period on student loans was extended from 18 months to three years.
- The annual maximum contribution to Registered Education Savings Plans was doubled to \$4,000.
- The government will create the Canadian Foundation for Innovation -- an independent body charged with renewing research facilities at postsecondary institutions and affiliated hospitals.

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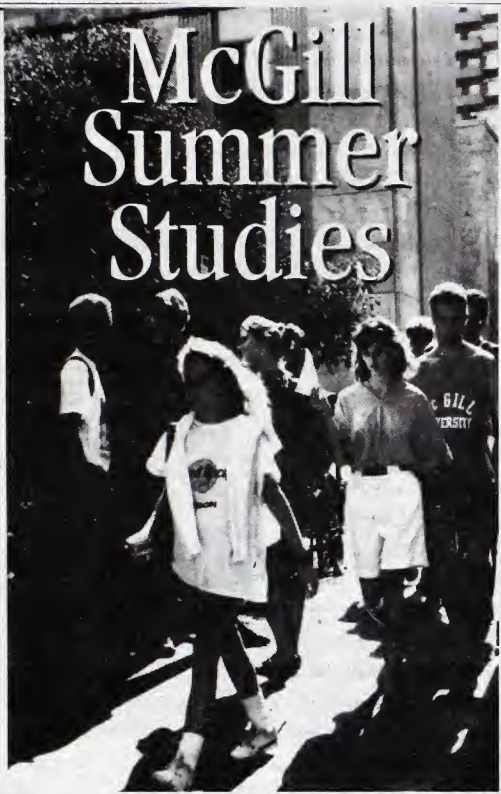
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Campus user fees on the rise across Canada

by David-James Fernandes
The Varsity (CUP)

Confronted by government imposed tuition caps and student backlash every time they increase tuition fees, university administrators across Canada are quietly imposing user-fees to cover everything from computer upgrades, to increased sewage costs.

It is easier to charge students new ancillary fees than to confront the stigma attached to raising tuition, says Brad Lavigne, national chair of the Canadian Federation of Students.

Administrations recognize there is a limit to how large a rise in tuition fees students will tolerate he says. "So they bring in ancillary fees to be hidden outside of tuition fees."

Earlier this school year, the University of British Columbia considered slapping a \$35 levy on students to offset the rising costs of pumping UBC's sewage from its property.

The fee may have gone through but for the intervention of B.C. deputy education minister Garry Wouters who insisted ancillary fees be limited to core academic activities, and a sewage fee did not qualify.

Although B.C. is currently under a tuition fee freeze, UBC's tally of possible levies could pump

the cost of going to the university up about 11 per cent over this year if all the fees make it through.

UBC, Carleton and various other universities are facing possible 'technology' enhancement fees. Administrators argue the fees are needed because students are demanding access to the world wide web, E-mail and word-processing services, all of which are expensive to set up and maintain.

Carleton students may face a fee as large as \$70 to upgrade the school's telecommunications infrastructure. David Holmes, assistant vice-president of Carleton's information resources, says he has approached Carleton's student council for money to upgrade the current system before it becomes obsolete.

"Funding comes from two places -- the students and the government," he said. "If the government stops, students have to make up the difference."

Lavigne disagrees. "There's nothing wrong with spending revenue on upgrading an institution's technological infrastructure, but when it comes on the backs of students, that's a problem."

Carleton students may put the fee to a vote, but Lavigne calls the question 'bogus.'

Students are left with only two options in the vote, pay more money or lose out on services. "That question puts a lot of people in a

very precarious situation, because they feel if they vote against it, they are going to lose out on something."

According to Chris Carter, president of McGill University's student council, the university is expecting \$12-18 million cut from its operating budget by the provincial government. But while tuition is still frozen for Quebec residents, McGill has reorganized its ancillary fees to raise the total amount of extra fees by about \$200 for all undergraduates.

Like Lavigne, Carter says students shouldn't foot the bill for the university's revenue problems.

"Because of government cuts, not just in Quebec, but across the board, services are suffering, so students are taking the initiative in several cases to raise funds," he said. "I really think it should be the priority of the government to fund postsecondary education so we don't need all these sidefees."

Lavigne says the way for students to fight back against ancillary fee increases is to lobby their student unions to oppose any and all fee increases.

"If (students vote) against these increases then they send a message to the government that even if you're going to build a another new wing of a building or put in new equipment, we are drawing a line in the sand and saying, 'no more user-fee increases.'"



An Update On Change

by Mike Grube
SGA President

On behalf of the Students General Association I hope that everyone had a great "reading week". Whether or not you went somewhere warm (don't rub it in!) or you were lucky enough to stay in Sudbury and enjoy that refreshing winter cold, welcome back.

Laurentian has not slowed down at all in the new year and here is an update on what is going on. All departments and schools had to submit their choices for the proposed new faculty model by January 31, 1997. As you remember the Senate accepted in principle a motion to reduce the faculty number from the present four to two faculties. It is the mandate of Acaplan to take the submissions and make recommendations to Senate. The Senate meeting is February 27, 1997, and Acaplan has accepted the overwhelming majority of Schools and departments' submissions. The vote on the 27, will be for conditional acceptance of the faculty changes. The proposal would not become final until the by-laws have been changed and that would occur at the March Senate meeting. It is important to realize that the proposed changes should provide students with more options and greater flexibility.

Another major project that Laurentian is embarking upon is the Capital Fundraising campaign. Laurentian has begun this major campaign with the hope of raising funds for among other things student aid and technology improvements. The University is asking students to give their time and energy to help with the campaign for money and after receiving a good base they then look externally. This is an excellent opportunity for people at Laurentian to learn about what this school does very well. From the world class research that occurs right across campus to LU's reputation for having some of the highest academic requirements in the country in certain programs, Laurentian is a first class institution.

It is once again that time of year for the SGA annual elections. They begin on February 24, 1997 at 4:00 PM and run until March 6, 1997. Voting will take place on March 5 & 6, 1997. Voting cards are being mailed to all SGA members as we speak. Remember that speeches are on February 27, 1997 at 11:30 am in the Science Cafeteria and on March 3, 1997 at 11:30 am in the Great Hall. Remember to vote because the right candidates will make a difference. Thank you for your time.

Ontario students face tuition fee hikes

by Rachel Furey
The Fulcrum (CUP)

Student leaders in Ontario are upset by a government decision to allow universities and colleges to hike tuition fees by 10 per cent next fall, but university administrators don't think the fee increase is high enough.

Education Minister John Snobelen announced on Feb. 5 that postsecondary schools can increase tuition by up to 20 per cent for any one program, but the average tuition fee increase for each institution can't exceed 10 per cent.

The fee hike, which represents a total tuition fee increase of 30 per cent since the Tories took power a year and a half ago, was denounced by student leaders across the province.

"Students have reached their limit in the amount they are able to pay, and the amount they are willing to borrow," said Vicky Smallman, of the Canadian Federation of Students.

Tuition fees at most Ontario schools are about \$3,000 a year for undergraduates. Those studying out-of-town pay an additional average of \$9,000 for living expenses, she said.

Smallman says governments and universities have to start finding alternatives to tuition hikes if they want to keep postsecondary education accessible.

In contrast, university administrators say the fee increase isn't high enough. The government cut \$280 million from the operating budgets of universities and colleges last year, and Ontario schools are currently the lowest funded in the country.

"The quality (of post-secondary education) is decreasing, this (announcement) only ensures that that will continue," said University of Waterloo President Jim Downey.

Downey is disappointed the government won't allow universities to set tuition fees as high as they want without any regulation -- an idea recommended by a government advisory panel on postsecondary education.

He says, to protect the quality of education, most universities will be forced to implement the 10 per cent tuition fee increase.

The government may hike tuition fees again, but Elizabeth Spielbergs, a spokesperson for the ministry, says further increases will have to wait until the federal government reforms student aid. The ministry is pushing the federal government to adopt a loan repayment plan based on graduates' incomes.

Snobelen's announcement was coupled with a commitment to increase student aid funding. Thirty per cent of any tuition fee increase must be set aside for student aid and the government will add \$150 to the province's student assistance program, a 37 per cent increase from 1996-97 levels.

The amount of students' total loans the government will forgive will increase from \$6,000 to \$7,000.

But the commitment to increase student aid only angers student leaders who see it as a ploy to place the burden of education cuts on the backs of students.

"The way it's released is to make it look like a good thing, but it doesn't translate into anything but higher debt and higher tuition," said Kelly Foley, of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.

Foley says the tuition fee hike will force students further into debt and hurt accessibility to education.

"Students get a double punch. They have to find more money to pay tuition and (as a result) they'll have more debt," she said.

Snobelen also announced the introduction of a \$15-20 million Ontario Merit Scholarship program, which will pay the tuition of the top two per cent of students at Ontario's colleges and universities.

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Dear Editor

This is to inform you of the activities of the Laurentian University Coalition for Social Justice. We are a group composed of students, faculty and staff who are organizing around the Sudbury Days of Action: A Celebration of Resistance. The Days of Action are to be held March 20, 21 and 22. We are holding various activities and events throughout those days, both at the university and within the community of Sudbury. Our main focus of these days is to show a united resistance to the cuts and proposed changes to the education system. We are hoping for your support in this struggle which affects us all. Any support will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns surrounding these activities, please feel free to contact any of the people below.

Sincerely Yours,
The Liaison Committee:
Cindy Henriques, Andrea McNeily, Alex B. Wilde

Dear Editor,

In response to your article *Almost Perfect...* I would like to say a few things. First of all, numbers 1, 2 and 5 are excellent points, but there is one you missed. During the lightsaber battle between Obi-Wan and Vader, Obi-Wan lowers his lightsaber and only a single dot of blue light is shown, with the pole used for the battle clearly visible. Secondly, numbers 3 and 4 are mis-interpretations.

Number 3 stated "In the new scene with Jabba the Hut, Guido is shown standing in the background even though Han Solo just shot and killed him in the Cantina." First off... The name was Greedo not Guido, and secondly, it is another Rodian who was sent by another gangster to kill Greedo.

Number 4 stated "C3P0 has to translate R2D2 for everyone, but all of a sudden when they are getting ready to head to the Death Star, Luke understands perfectly what R2 is saying." The reason behind this is that when R2D2 was in the astromech spot in Luke's X-Wing, he was sending what he was saying (or more accurately beeping) to the view screen on the X-Wing. This is more evident in *The Empire Strikes Back* when Luke looks at the screen and says that they are going to the Degobah System rather than meeting up with the rest of the Rebels. It is because he is reading the message that R2D2 just sent him.
Thank you for your patience.
Gordon Hauta

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to Hedda Johnson's article on Bryson McCarthy. I too read about what his girlfriend felt and thought each week and thought this quite odd. I think you hit the nail on the head when you said you wondered whether or not he had any thoughts of his own. I think firstly, he uses his girlfriend because if it's her opinion then that leaves him out of any finger pointing. "Hey, I didn't say or mean that, it's what my girlfriend thought." Secondly, I think it does something for his ego to mention the fact that he has a girlfriend. Like you know those people you meet, and I'm sure you've all had this experience, who have that annoying habit of mentioning that they have a significant other in every second sentence. Okay, so you have a girlfriend good for you!! You must really be a great person and attractive and have all that it takes to be going out with somebody. "Hey folks I'm not a loser, I do have a girlfriend so I must be worthy." I guess growing out of this comes with maturity. Hey Bryson take a stand, be a confident self-assured person who has his own opinion. I'm sure we'd still find your column interesting if you put forth your own opinion. Okay, so you have a girlfriend, that's great!! But do you have an opinion??
Dawn Lin

Letter To The Editor

This is a further response to the showing of the "Hearts of Hate: The Battle for Young Minds" that was shown in conjunction with the campaign for zero tolerance of ignorance at Laurentian University. I was the lesbian who expressed anger over the context of how the film was being shown and what was the committee going to do for the students who are affected everyday by what that movie portrayed. I asked, "How was the committee going to protect the students from any backlash or abuse that they will have to endure following that movie and this campaign."

As I pointed out after the film, in the context of "Jean's Day" that was held two years ago (by the Students Peer group) to show support for and of lesbian and gay rights, this backlash is doomed to repeat itself. The lesbian and gay community was only consulted a few weeks before the actual day. Any suggestions that they proposed was never acknowledged. There was no introduction to the day, as in seminars or guest speakers, and no follow up. Students were asked to wear jeans to show support for their fellow gay and lesbian students, but no one took the time to explain why. So for many reasons the students revolted, and the backlash fell on to the gay and lesbian students.

I appreciated your attempt to explain the reasons for showing that particular film, you said you wanted students to get angry. Well, who got angry? I believe only the students who were directly affected by the content of that movie were angry. I was burning with anger and my identity as a lesbian was not even acknowledged in the film, I can only wonder how the other people who were mentioned and who were sitting in the room must have felt. However, I wish to remind you that since you offered to answer the question I raise, I would like you to know that you did not answer my question. But that is OK as I knew that since the question was not seriously considered at any time before or after the movie, I did not expect and answer to be returned. I just felt it was important that this failure to address the affects of our daily systematic oppression was not acknowledged.

Furthermore, where was the safety that would have allowed free discussion of the movie? Why was the movie not introduced in some sort of context that students could

actively address it in a more personal and political fashion? Why did Peter Rymont take up so much speaking space when his standpoint, as an investigative journalist, looks objectively at everything rather than subjectively. Additionally, his perspective as a white male comes from a position of privilege and not from the standpoint of those being represented and deviants and evil in the film? I am assuming that I have to point out that the deviant people in the film are the women, the African-Canadians, the Jewish people and the lesbian and gays talked about in the film and not the members of the Heritage Front.

white supremacists were given objective free reign to announce their dogma about hatred and power and this objective way of looking at racism was carried into most of the discussion. And why was the focus on a select group of people who are considered a extremist fringe and not on the "common sense revolution" of the Neo-conservative movement in this province and country? Why did so few students speak up about their anger? While I do not want to speak for any other student except those I have since talked to, many were afraid, so once again they have had their voices silenced. More importantly, it is very difficult to address a movie and critically criticize it when the producer is standing right there and was able to maintain control of how the questions would be answered and who actually was able to address them.

Some after the fact suggestions would be to have had someone other than the producer facilitate the movie. People who are directly involved with that oppression in their lives could have been sought out as speakers. Caucuses could have been formed so people could have desen-

sitized each other, and then come back to the main group with what Laurentian could do. The notion of power should have been introduced more clearly from the start so racism, heterosexuality and anti-semitism is not seen as ignorance but power over. Safety measures should have been taken so voices would not be silenced.

I wish it to be clearly understood, I am not saying what the committee did or is doing wrong. Additionally, I realize I can be constructed as complaining since I was not involved with any organization of this event. My reality is that I am involved everyday of my life. Everyday I am trying to understand my place and my movement as a member of the white race, and how I can use effective behavior to stop white supremacist oppression. But as a lesbian member of the feminist women's movement, which I have been involved for years, I have discovered that when people want to do something for someone else they rarely listen to what those "other people" have to say. After all, gay/lesbian bashing is a part of my life, and I am tired of explaining my oppression as a visible lesbian and how my visibility affects my everyday life.

So in the context of this film and the method that it was shown in, it was not constructive in unlearning white supremacy, or unlearning anti-semitism or to understand and recognize heterosexuality. It only brought home a lot of pain and anger. It has only pointed out to me that I have a higher chance of being bashed, but at least I won't be killed, which is a relief. It is very comforting to have watched a film and now know that they would much rather leave me for dead and piss in my wounds and give me something to remember me by. Yes, indeed, I do feel much better now.

Sincerely, Mary Mahood-Greer
Not the first, not the only one, and certainly not the last, visible lesbian on campus

Letter To The Editor

I am writing to ask the Laurentian University community to come out to the last two Lady Vee home games—Friday, February 28, and Sunday, March 2—to support the team as it heads into the provincial and national championships.

One of the most impressive displays of enthusiasm I've seen at Laurentian is the cheering squad of young men that attends the men's basketball games. They're great! Maybe they, or other students with equal energy and volume, will make it to the women's last two games and give the young women a boost before they travel south.

The crowd support for men's basketball is encouraging. Let's see if we can bring out the same for the women's team—who are disciplined, well coached, and fun to watch. Their games are among the best and lowest priced diversion on campus.
looking forward to meeting a lot of noisy people in the gym that weekend.
Sincerely, Shannon Hengen Department of English

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The Corruption Quiz

Okay Laurentian, its time once again to take the infamous corruption quiz. Its been a year since we last published the quiz, so hopefully you can score higher than last year. So reflect back on what (or who) you have done over the past year and see just how corrupt you actually are.

Intoxication

1. Ever tried alcohol? (1)
2. Ever been drunk? (2)
3. Ever play drinking games? (2)
4. Ever fall down because you drank too much? (3)
5. Ever drunk enough to throw up? (4) On yourself (+1) on someone else (+2)
6. Ever wake up and not remember what you did the night before? (5)
- Bonus: Ever wake up in another city and not remember how you got there? (+9)
7. Ever been forcibly removed from a bar? (5)
8. Ever participated in a pub crawl? (2)
9. Do you drink regularly, at least three times a week? (3) Bonus: 1 point for each additional day (max. 7



- the intention of getting wasted? (4 each)
20. Do you do drugs regularly at least twice a week? (6) More than four times a week? (+2)
21. Do you spend more money on drugs than food or tuition? (9)
22. Ever sold drugs? (4) To a minor? (+2)
23. Ever sold drugs to support a drug

month or more of you life due to intoxication? (9)

Filthy Passions

29. Ever been on a date? (1)
30. Ever been felt up/groped? (2)
31. Ever masturbated? (2) To orgasm? (+1) In front of someone else? (+3) In public? (+4)
32. Ever been masturbated? (2) To

48. Do you have any body parts pierced besides ears and nose? (7)
49. Ever shaved or dyed pubic hairs? (yours or others) (6)
50. Ever have sex in front of unsuspecting people? (8)
51. Ever been so loud during sex that the neighbours complained? (7)
52. Did your neighbours start a petition? (+3)
53. Ever had sex with two or more partners in a week? (7) In a day? (+7)
- Bonus: 5 points for each additional person above two in one day?
54. Ever had more than one person at a time? (8)
55. Ever fantasized about someone during sex besides your present partner? (6)
56. Ever had sex with a virgin? (7)
57. Ever describe a sexual act explicitly to your religious leader? (7)
58. Ever had sex in a public place? (5) Bonus: a church, cemetery, dance floor, public washroom, or Skydome box with the curtains open (+4 each)
59. Ever had sex outside? (7)
60. Ever had sex with a cop? (8)
61. Ever get scratch marks or carpet burns from a sex act? (7)
62. Ever broken a major kitchen appliance during sex? (8)
63. Ever photocopied your own genitalia? (7)
64. Ever used organic substances during sex? (8)
65. Ever purchased and used sex toys? (7)
66. Ever licked and/or had someone lick an eyeball? (2) toes? (+2) ears? (+2) molars? (+3)
67. Ever practiced bondage, sadism, or semi-strangulation for enhanced sexual gratification? (8)
68. Ever had sex with someone primarily because they looked like you? (9)
69. Ever used small rodents in a sexual act? (10)
70. Does necrophilia (12), bestiality (12), Jacques Parizeau/Nell Carter (20) turn you on?



Scoring Guide

0-75 Get thee to a nunnery
75-150 A score only a mother can love.
150-225 Owner of a platinum opal frequent flyer card.
225-300 There are twelve step programs for people like you... look into it!
301-400 Go straight to hell, do not pass go.
401+ You're lying! Unless... Nell Carter... Oh, you're sick!

Lambda Staff Scores

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- points)
10. Ever fall asleep or pass out in the bar? (4)
11. On the dance floor? (5)
12. During sex? (4)
13. When entering your favorite bar does everyone call out your name? (6)

Illegalities

14. Ever been arrested? (6) Convicted? (+3)
15. Ever been in a riot? (2) Caused a riot? (+4)
16. Ever caused more than \$1000 property damage? (8)
17. Ever had to leave the country suddenly? (9)
18. Ever been considered a menace to society by a public official? (10)

Alternative Recreational Consumables

19. Ever try pot, hash, shrooms, licking toads, peyote skins, mourning glory seeds, tea leaves, cough syrup, rubbing alcohol, airplane glue, after shave, or gravel with



- habit? (7)
24. Ever used uppers/downers? (6)
25. Ever used hallucinogens? (7)
26. Ever used crack, cocaine or heroine? (8)
27. Ever been stoned and/or drunk for more than 48 hours? (8)
28. Ever forgotten the events of one

- orgasm? (+1)
33. Ever masturbated while talking on the phone? (4)
34. Ever participated in group phone sex? (5)
35. Ever watched a porno? (2) Been in a porno? (+6)
36. Ever had sex? (5)
37. How old were you when you first had sex? Under 15? (5) 15-18? (4) 19-21? (3) 22+(2)
38. Ever had a one night stand? (6) Did you sneak out the morning after? (+3)
39. Ever bathed or showered with someone else? (6)
40. Ever paid for sex? (7)
41. Ever recorded a sexual act in which you participated? (6)
42. Ever engage in oral sex? (6) To orgasm? (+1)
43. Ever engage in the 69 position? (6)
44. Ever engage in anal sex? (6) To orgasm? (+1)
45. Ever contracted an STD? (6)
46. Ever had sex without any protection? (6)
47. Ever been or made someone pregnant? (8)



Get In The Ring

by Bryson McCarthy
Columnist

As I was looking through my cupboards for something to eat for dinner tonight, I noticed something that confused me to no end. As I scanned the cans and boxes of foods I have purchased, I noticed a great number of internet addresses. Not just Email either, these were websites made for and about everything from Spam to Sunny Delight. All I ask is why? Why do we need to clutter up the so-called information highway with unneeded rest stops?

I have noticed more and more at this school and at home, people using up precious time on their computers on stupid websites that don't need to be there in the first place. Sure, I've looked up web sites for bands I like, and women I would love to meet, but the fun in that lasted about as long as a snowball in hell. What is so great about visiting a computer site that won't teach you anything, just entertain you for about one or two minutes?

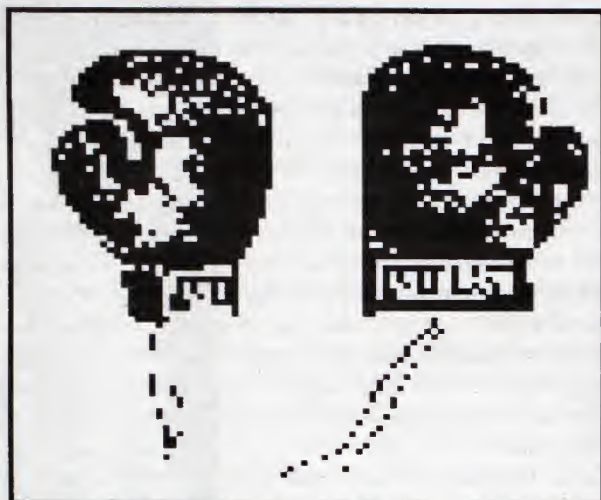
If this is the type of entertainment the world is going to depend on, then the future is a sad place to be. No one will leave their houses. TV and movies used to be thought of as wasting time, but at least you aren't glued to a computer screen talking to some other loser who probably just downloaded a bunch of naked photos of Pamela Anderson or Brad Pitt.

E-mail is one of the only good inventions that has emerged from this information catastrophe. It's faster than the post office, and is much more convenient, but it has spawned much worse alternatives. Take the chat room for example. A bunch of people sitting in front of computers talking to people in other countries (or so they claim) and probably lying about everything. Sure, it's a great way to make all your fantasies about yourself come true, but it's not real. If you need to do this, then you have some serious problems to work out in the real world.

Now, for those of you wasting computer time in the university computer labs on "surfing the web". You had better hope I don't need access to a computer to finish a project or thesis while you are visiting the ever so popular Internet Celebrity Drive Way Site (yes, it actually exists). Why waste the Web? Work on it! Learn from it! Use it to your advantage instead of becoming the 1,782, 234th visitor to the WD-40 website.

The internet has been dubbed the information super-highway, but there are so many off-ramps and potholes along the way users have forgotten the main goal of the whole system. INFORMATION!!! Or should I say, useful information. Everything you need is on the web, it's just getting past the David Letterman's Top Ten Lists and the Mr. Clean Bathroom Cleaning Tips that has become the problem. The world is now entranced with downloading useless knowledge and Emailing their friends that they just found Elvis in a chat room from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

I guess my challenge this week can be broken down into two parts. First, don't waste the universities, and your classmates time by surfing when there is real work to be done. And second, don't become another piece of roadkill on the information super-highway. Use it to get ahead of all the other losers stuck behind at www.moron.com.



by Ray Marks
Columnist

While most students were enjoying their break, the federal government introduced their last budget before an election. What were we to expect? It is typical Liberal budget without any real big surprises. As a matter of fact, there weren't any surprise in it at all. The Liberals figure the voters don't really want to be surprised right now so close to an election.

The G.S.T. fiasco started a sort of mini-backlash against the Liberals and most Canadians believe that Chretien did lie to them. To calm things down a bit, Paul Martin decided to introduce a "feel good" budget. This budget did not include any big spending cuts or tax cuts.

The Liberals don't believe these cuts are needed right now because they are so far ahead in balancing the budget. Well, in reality, they don't want to lose an election because Canadians are starting to get fed up with cuts everywhere. They also didn't want start looking like Tories by cutting taxes and not being able to make up for it.

Paul Martin is trying to boast about the slight increases in transfer payments to the provinces. But ever since the Liberals were elected in 1993, transfer payments have decreased heavily taking money out of

Tales from the left

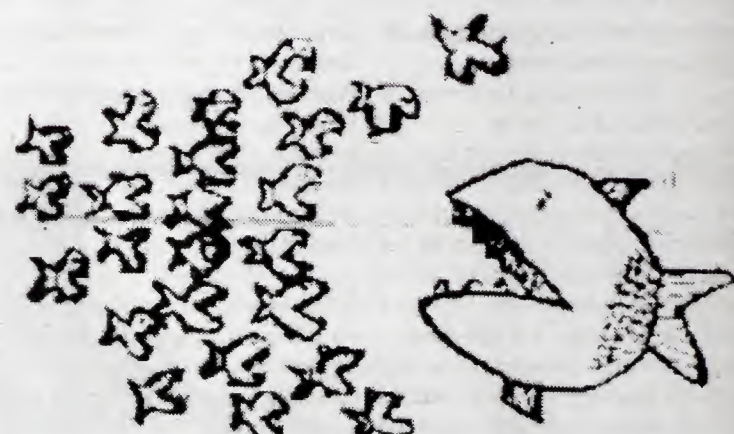
such things as health care and education. There are also the new funds available for research grants but it's too little, too late. Canada is falling behind in research and it took the Liberals an election to react. To try to convince voters that they might be doing something..

Then came the fund to combat child poverty. A great idea that a Social Democrat such as myself likes but this fund seems quite ironic. In the sense that it was policies like the ones practiced by the Liberals that helped create this child poverty. True, it has always existed but in the last few years it seems to have increased (check out the UN statistics) and the Liberals want us to believe they are trying to fix a problem they themselves created. Quite contradictory!

What else is there to say about

this budget? It is still upholds the same unfair taxation policies of the federal government. Thousands of large corporations do not pay a cent in taxes while the average Canadian suffers every time he or she gets a paycheck. This is a serious problem that the Liberals still refuse to look in to.

If this is the budget they are going to run an election on, there are other options. I believe that many voters are looking for that opinion and let's hope a good part of them find it so that we can finally have national opposition in the House. When the election is called, ask yourself what this government really done for you. Then ask yourself if they are going to win anyway who do you want to baby-sit them for another four years.



L.U. Represented at Model UN

by Francois Marier
Staff Writer

For three years now students from Laurentian have been participating in the North American Model United Nations held every year in Toronto. This year, L.U. had two delegations at the Model UN representing the countries of Pakistan and Egypt.

Most of you are probably wondering what a Model UN is. It's a forum of 6 days that bring together approximately 400 students from all over Canada, the U.S. and overseas to debate important topics in world affairs. The delegates choose the committees they will represent their assigned country in and depending on the country and its standing in the UN, those committees are predetermined. Much research is required to attend an event of this nature and a Political Science class helped the delegates in their research.

The students would like to thank all of their sponsors for this event including the Dean of Social Sciences, the Department of Political Science, the President, the Vice-President, the SGA and especially the Laurentian University Political Science Association (LUPSA) that organizes the delegations every year.

The benefits from attending such an event are astounding. The students learn much in the means of diplomacy, international relations, the workings of the UN and the policies of the countries they represent. It is also an excellent opportunity to meet people from all over the globe. Laurentian needs to improve its image and by attending such events, people learn that our students are of the same caliber if not higher than a university such as UBC. Two of the delegates distinguished themselves in their respected committees and both received honorable mentions for the work they did. They are Francois Marier and Jim Chehade.

Some of the topics debated and resolved included: Expanding Global Threat of Terrorism, Black Market Informal Sector Economies, War Crimes Against Children, Tribal Conflict in Africa, The Basel Convention on the Transportation of Hazardous Waste, The Situation in Palestine and The Exploitation of Women. If you are interested in finding out more about the Model UN or wanting to participate next year come see LUPSA in the Clubs Room or Osvaldo Croci in the Political Science Department.

The L.U. delegates to NAMUN were:

Pakistan

Francois Marier
David Smith
Peter Beardsley
Ruth Slee
Chris Logan
Robert Verrilli
Jim Chehade

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O' Canada/Quebec

by Janet Clermont
Contributor

Canadians have become far too uptight lately in their futile attempt not to offend visible minorities or traditionally suppressed peoples. Consider politically correct terms. Have we not become obsessed in all our political correctness? It's virtually impossible to keep on top of this new terminology. Yet at the risk of offending minorities (collectively the majority), we adopt these terms.

In Canada, we no longer have short people, but vertically challenged individuals. Those who are encumbered with glasses are not near-sighted or far-sighted, they are optically challenged. The word "women" is no longer used, with its sexist connotations; "womyn" has replaced it.

In light of this new liberal thinking, some argue it's time these changes were adopted into traditional lyrics. On this list for reform is our Canadian national anthem.

In the Sept. 13 edition of *The Sudbury Star*, a letter to the editor proposes exactly this. In his letter, Walter Donovan of Saskatoon claims the national anthem should be changed to "make it appropriate for singing in churches as well as for non-Christians elsewhere." He argues that since Canada is not the native land of several millions of its citizens, the first line should be changed to "O'Canada! O fair and favoured land!" The original wording, he claims, implies that the privilege we enjoy as Canadians is a gift from God.

Secondly, the wording of the subsequent line "True patriot love in all thy sons command" ignores half of the population, namely womyn. This, he proposes, in his politically correct mind, should be changed to "True patriot love, in hope

and faith, command."

But why stop there? If we are going to reword the Canadian national anthem with politically correct lyrics, let's go all the way.

I'm officially challenging any Member of Parliament to introduce these changes through a private member's bill. Here is a proposed version:

"O'Canada/Quebec - the politically correct version, 1996."

"O'Canada/Quebec [we are an officially bilingual country], our home and multicultural land" (of course this land does not belong to any one individual or collective group; it belongs to everyone and must remain intact for future generations).

"True patriot love, in all our men and womyn command" (no intent of domination should be read into the word command).

"With glowing hearts, we see..." Wait! What of our optically challenged friends? This won't due. Perhaps, "With glowing hearts, we know you rise, our true North strong and free" (free being a relative word, for no one is truly free; we are all subject to the social and political confines of this fine country).

"From far and wide O'Canada/Quebec, we stand on guard for thee." Of course conscription is no longer enforced, so in actuality, no one can be forced to 'stand on guard'. Perhaps this line should be altered to read: "From far and wide O'Canada/Quebec, we men and womyn employed of our own free will to defend the country in equal force, may chose to do so." And of course if we choose to defend the country, employment and payment equity will apply.

"God keep our land" (remember this land belongs to no one. The word 'our' must be omitted).

"God keep this land for future generations." Wait, scratch that. "Oh great spirit" may work. With the risk of offending one of a possible many spirits by implying one is greater than the others, this should read: "Oh great spirits keep this land, glorious and free from political and social intrusions on its inhabitants." Wait. Oh great spirits may risk offending those who don't believe in spirits either. "Let's all keep this land glorious and free."

"Oh Canada/Quebec, we stand..." Since we risk offending our physically handicapped, oops, challenged cohabitants, let's omit the word stand. Let's try this again. "Oh Canada/Quebec, we are on guard (if we chose and will be rewarded financially for it) for thee. Oh Canada/Quebec, we are on guard for thee."

Keep in mind this is just a draft proposal. At the risk of offending any minorities or the womyn of

this country, I welcome any submissions or suggestions for an even more universal national anthem.

Of course, the new politically correct national anthem must have French and English versions which receive equal coverage during Hockey Night in Canada, one immediately preceding the other. Wait! Which version is sung first? French or English? And there still lies the risk of offending other ethnic communities. Perhaps each line should be sung in one of the many languages that make up this multicultural nation. Imagine. We could have one line in Cree, another in Chinese, yet another in Italian and so on. What a song. What a statement of our unity. But which language should open the national anthem. Hmmm ...

At the risk of offending our multicultural, optically challenged, womyn and vertically challenged cohabitants, perhaps the national an-

them could be sung with a representative of each minority in every language at the same time! Perhaps this would solve the dilemma and no one in the entire country would be offended. Canada would become the utopia of the world. People would flock from every corner of the earth to live here (of course they would have to pass through the country's strict immigration laws).

In all likelihood, this draft national anthem will not receive the attention of a private member's bill, as Mr. Donovan's will not. These changes to the national anthem are, admittedly, outrageous, as any changes would be to a song designed to represent this great country. It is simply impossible to please every minority and free thinker in this ever-changing country. To take a song written with the intent of creating a sense of nationalism at the time and revamp it, will not settle the ills of the country. These problems run deeper than the words of our national anthem.

Lambda's 1997 Elections

Elections of Editor-in-Chief and Financial Director will be held on March 21st 1997. Nominations will open on February 28 and close on March 14 at Noon.

The position of Editor-in-Chief is available to all elcted staff of Lambda Publications of 1996-1997. This person would represent Lambda to other organizations and the community at large, would be one of the signing officers of Lambda, the other being the Financial Director, and would be the chief administrator of Lambda Publications. There will be an honourarium paid.

The position of Financial Director is open to all members of the Laurentian community. This person is responsible for the budget and the financial management of lambda Publications. S/he would be the financial officer, would be responsible for the advertising department, the financial statements and various other administrative affairs. The successful candidate must be a member of the Laurentian University community who has taken three (3) business courses or who has related experience. (Recommended business courses include accounting, economics, finance and a relevant computer course.) Related experience is defined by a working knowledge of accrual accounting, cash accounting, forecasting, computers, budgeting, selling and marketing in the forms of advertising, distribution, and pricing. There will be an honorarium paid.



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WELCOME BACK!

by Honsing Leung
Columnist

I hope that everyone had a good reading week. I would just like to present some news and notes of some of the things that I observed throughout the last little while.

1st. There has to be something wrong with Riddick Bowe. He gets clobbered by Golada and then decides he wants to serve his country. Then 9 days later he says that the training is too hard and he is quitting. Duh! What did he think it was, Pre-School? I think he should just retire, which now means I'm taking a year or two off to find myself. Then he will learn that he started boxing just to compete and he will make himself a better person and then, not for the money, he will come back. He'll win a few, lose big, then retire, etc., etc.

2nd. Spring Training is here!!!! Baseball is back. The rumor is that Cecil Fielder will wait out until March 15, then declare himself a free agent and sign a deal with the Jays. This could be far fetched but all the signs could be there. Watch out if that happens. Also, look for the Frank Thomas and Albert (don't call me Joey) Belle show to hit over 100 homers between them this year. There could be a problem in the Jays camp as Joe Carter has stated all winter he doesn't want to DH. Another George Bell like in '87. Probably not. Look for him to play a lot of first, get some action in the outfield and DH only a little. What the Jays need to win the pennant would be a closer so that we wouldn't have to see Mike Timlin blow another 10 games like he did last year. Maybe we could convince Mr. Terminator to have one more go around.

3rd. March Madness. 64 teams start and only one survives. Now, the favorite to win would be Kansas, but my intuition tells me Duke. Yeah, I'm a Duke fan, have been since the Danny Ferry days. I know, I did jump on the wagon when they beat UNLV in the semis for the first of two straight, but I have stuck with them through the last couple of lean years. Now they are #7 in the rankings as of this week. They have beaten Wake Forest and look impressive. I predict that they will go to the Final Four and lose to eventual champs Kentucky (Go Jamal).

Now our mens' and womens' teams are looking strong going into the playoffs (except this past Saturday when I think that the men played their worst game of the year. I lost lunch that game to a buddy) I expect that they will both come out victorious in the Nationals next month. Good luck guys and gals.

4th. AND MOST IMPORTANT SO I'LL WRITE IN CAPS. THE WINNERS OF THIS YEAR'S INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL WILL BE (Guaranteed) SIGMA DELTA AWESOME!!! SO BEWARE, BECAUSE WE ARE GONNA RUN OVER EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU ON OUR WAY TO THE TOP ONCE AGAIN. FIRST IT WAS THE FILTHY BIRDS (15-9, 15-0) AND NEXT UP IS KEVIN? AND FRENCH CONNECTION. NO LUCK NEEDED, WE'RE JUST THAT GOOD.



University athletics more cautious in wake of Janes case

by Craig Babstock
Canadian University Press

The impact of the Graham Janes sexual assault case is being felt in the athletic departments of Canadian universities, says the president of the Atlantic Universities Athletic Association.

"I certainly think it's raised the level of awareness and raised the level of concern that people have, which I think is good," Barb Mullaly said.

"We tend to think that we're isolated and when something like this happens, quite often everyone likes to say 'Well that's something that could happen over there but it couldn't happen in our yard.' I don't think that's a good attitude. People in all aspects of sport and life have to be pretty vigilant about this type of thing."

Sexually abuse of athletes became a hot issue for sports administrators across the country when former junior hockey coach Graham James was sentenced to prison for sexually assaulting young hockey players.

According to Tom Allen, the president-elect of the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union (CIAU), a new atmosphere dominates university athletics.

"From what you say to a student athlete to how you deal with a student athlete, I think (this incident) has turned on the light in a lot of coaches. They must adapt, change, and think about how they deal with situations and make sure that it's a positive experience."

Since there is no standard set by the CIAU for hiring coaches, the responsibility for detecting problem individuals is left up to the institution.

Allen, also the director of athletics at Bishop's University, says there isn't much more his school can do to filter out potentially aberrant coaching candidates during the hiring process.

"We receive applications and we are very, very strict on checking references," he said. "I don't know if anything would ever guarantee that you're going to catch everything. There isn't a hard and firm policy at Bishop's that would literally and unequivocally catch every deviant behaviour by any perspective applicant."

But Allen says the CIAU is on the leading edge of Canadian athletics, as far as protecting athletes is concerned. As evidence he points to the CIAU's codes of conduct and zero tolerance policy, along with the sexual harassment policies and officers of member institutions.

Some athletic officials, however, say that change to guard against potential sex offenders being hired as coaches is required below the university level.

"I'd say where it's going to have the biggest affect is at the grass roots level, which has a lot of volunteers," said Walt McKee, president of the Great Plains Athletic Conference.

McKee said that school systems are going to have to be more intense as they evaluate the backgrounds of their volunteer coaches. He also added that the days of taking any volunteer for the sake of being able to operate a program are over.

The issue of coaches abusing the trust of their athletes strikes a personal note with McKee, who coaches Manitoba's women's under-15 soccer team.

"I'd be extremely disappointed knowing that another adult in a position of power did those kinds of things. It just bothers me, because I know the importance that a coach has on the overall development of a student athlete. I would be extremely disappointed to know that they took advantage of that," he said.

Allen said he does not feel university students face the same risks as younger members of the community. He feels that because they are older, more mature, have a higher level of education, and are more aware of their rights and privileges, they are not as easy targets.

He said he also hopes university students would be more willing to report an instance of impropriety, which would help catch deviant individuals instead of letting them continue to abuse.

But this hope is not without caution.

"You hope that because you don't hear of any incidents, there aren't any. But I think that might be a tad naive," he said.

But he does find himself able to put a positive spin on this negative situation.

"In anything bad, there's something good. I guess these scenarios that have come to light have made people stand up and make a gut check of their own practices. I think as a result of a very, very unfortunate incident, amateur sport in Canada is going to be helped in the long run."

Last chance to see the 1996-97 Lady Vees

This year's Lady Vees have shown incredible resilience. Despite suffering a number of setbacks, including the loss of Joy McNichol to injury and the unfortunate passing of long-time head coach Peter Innes, the Lady Vees have managed to clinch an OWIAA play-off berth. The Lady Vees are a team that have proven time and again that they are a force to be reckoned with and this year is no exception.

This Friday February 28, the Lady Vees will make their second last home appearance of the year as they tip off against the Ryerson Rams. This is a must win game, as a victory against Ryerson and a loss by York will place the Vees in a tie for second place standing in the OWIAA East Division with York. The game takes place at 6:15pm in the Ben Avery Gym.

On Sunday March 2, the Lady Vees will take to the court for their final regular season game of the year. They will face the visiting York Yeowomen (currently second in the division). A win in this game, in addition to a win on Friday, will give the Vees, at the very least, a tie for second place in their division. This should be an excellent game and a great ending to the regular season. The game starts at 1:00pm in the Ben Avery Gym.

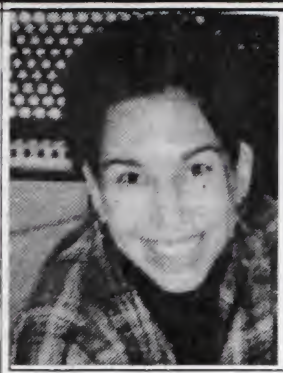
If you have never seen the Lady Vees play before, this is definitely the time to do it. Come on out and cheer your team to victory. If you have seen the Lady Vees before, you already know that these will be excellent games that can't be missed.

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Christina Hayden



My name is Christina Hayden and I am running for the position of Vice-President of Services. I have been a student at Laurentian for four years and I feel I have acquired a wide range of skills which would be beneficial to improving the Laurentian community. I am a fresh face with fresh ideas. This is exactly what the SGA/AGE needs to better the services which they currently offer and to explore new services which students could benefit from.

I am a graduating student who wants to devote her time and energy for the students of Laurentian. This year, I was actively involved in Carny Week as the volunteer co-ordinator. Through this opportunity, I gained a great deal of insight on what it takes to be the Vice-President of Services. Though this experience, I learned the importance of organization and communication and it is this knowledge as well as my enthusiasm and my outgoing personality which make me the best candidate for this position.

I am a very approachable individual who believes that the students should play an active role in the services which are provided for them. I hope to work with the SGA/AGE executives and board as a team to ensure student representation and to promote a stronger voice within the Laurentian community. If elected, one of the major areas which I would like to address is to open the communication avenues between the students and the clubs which exist within Laurentian and the SGA/AGE.

I am always ready and willing to listen to your suggestions and concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or suggestions for the upcoming school year (e-mail: S5600163@nickel.laurentian.ca). It is only through voting that this process of open communication can begin. Let your voice be heard on March 5 and 6. Vote Christina Hayden for V.P. of Services.

Cathy Murphy



Hi there everybody!! I'm Cathy Murphy and I'm running for the position of Vice President of Services of the Students General Association. I am writing this article to tell you all about myself and why I am the best candidate for this job.

So, about myself. I am a fourth year History major here at Laurentian, and I love this school. In my second year here, I successfully ran for the position of Thorneloe's S.G.A. Rep. I sat on the S.G.A. board during my third year and learned a lot about the way it works.

In October of this year, a Senate position opened up and I decided to run. I was successful and have been representing you, the population of the Students General Association, to the University Senate ever since.

Not only do I have experience working with the S.G.A. and Senate, but I also have experience when it comes to this particular job. While Thorneloe's S.G.A. Rep., I was also an active member of the S.G.A.'s Service's Committee, assisting the V.P. Services in a great many ways.

For the past three years I have also actively participated on a Carny team, and this past year I was a member of your friendly Carny Committee. Yes, I was there, from the beginning, working on the design and lay-out of your Carny program. When that was completed, I stuck with the committee and helped out anywhere I could. Whether it was cutting and laminating your V.I.P. passes or running all over town picking up necessary items, to being a gopher right here on campus and answering any of your questions or concerns about the week. I was there.

Now, at the end of my fourth year, I would like to stay at Laurentian and work for you and with you to make the 1997-98 school year the most exciting ever!!

I believe that my hard-working yet fun-loving attitude would be perfect for this job. I'm competent and capable and would be honoured to be your Vice President of Services for the upcoming year.

As you might be able to tell, I am not afraid of hard work, and I do not mind doing the "little" jobs. I am not afraid of trying new things and I am capable of any task put before me, you can be certain of that!! So, on March 5th and 6th, get out and vote! Vote Cathy Murphy for Vice President of Services!

Jason Sweeney



Hey Laurentian, its that time of year again, the S.G.A. general elections. My name is Jason Sweeney, but most of you know me as "Mad Dog". I am a fourth year History and Geography student and am running for the position of Vice-President of Services for the S.G.A. I am currently an S.G.A. Senator, voted in by you, the people of Laurentian, last year. This is my second year of service on the S.G.A. board. I must say that my combined experience of SSR Residence Council and S.G.A. Board

has given me an unique view of life here at Laurentian. I spent three years in residence and have lived the last year off-campus. This has helped me to experience both sides of life here at Laurentian. I have experienced Rez, yet I know the problems and the hardships faced daily by my fellow off-campus people. I feel that this experience is invaluable for any S.G.A. Executive member in order to see "both sides of the fence". For the last two years, I have been involved in the Services side of the S.G.A. I have helped out with events in any way possible by being an active member of the Services committee for the last two years. I have also helped to bring you the last two Carny weeks, serving as the Advertising Director for Carny week for the last two years. This experience has given me invaluable contacts within the Sudbury business community which are necessary to run smoothly in this position. I have also worked at the Pub DownUnder for the last two years, giving me the experience and the knowledge to oversee the operations of the S.G.A.'s biggest service.

My vision of the S.G.A. is a simple one—"Pulling Together For Our Future". That encompasses the Laurentian community as well as the Sudbury community. The original planners of Laurentian did a horrible job of planning by situating us up here on this rock. But there is nothing that we can do about that now. Now, we must pull together in order to function better as a unit. Part of that is to have an excellent working relationship with the A.E.F. What I am going to do next year is to invite them in on as many projects of the S.G.A. as possible. There are too many splits here at Laurentian—Rez/Off-campus; S.G.A./A.E.F. By getting the A.E.F. involved in such events such as concerts and Carny week, we can lower costs to all those involved, and provide better service. I want to bridge those gaps, not only within Laurentian, but within the Sudbury community as well. Sudbury has not realized that this has become a University/College town as well as a rail/mining town. To do this, I want to set up a "student's night out", possibly in conjunction with Cambrian and/or College Boreal, and in conjunction with the Sudbury Downtown Business community. This night would be held either once a month or possibly once a week (Fridays?) and it would be a night for the students of the region to sample the shops, restaurants and bars of the area. Hopefully we could convince the business community to accommodate us by staying open later and offering sales to students. The same would also hold true for the restaurants and bars in the region. This plan would be a great way to get the Off-campus population of Laurentian more involved and would help to integrate Laurentian with the city of Sudbury, and maybe even encourage some new faces to come to Laurentian.

I've been here for four years now. When I came up here from Toronto, I did not know what I was getting into. I quickly found that out. Everyone back home questioned me as to why I was coming north to Sudbury when I could have gone to a southern school. They still ask me the same question. I guess it was for a fresh start. I came up here and became Mad Dog. That was a new start for me. Now it is time for a fresh start for Laurentian. Together we can lead Laurentian and the S.G.A. into a new era. All we have to do is "Pull Together".

DIR. CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Chad Carreira



Vote Chad Carreira for Director of Cultural Affairs. Now that we got that out of the way we can get down to business. I am a third year double major in Math and Italian. A basic opinion I have about myself is "what you see is what you get." I am not a very flashy person and I'm not going to promise things that sound good but won't have a chance of getting accomplished like others will try to pull over on you. I think that you are all smarter than that. What you are going to get from me is "150%." I know that the phrase has been used a million times but it is the truth. Another thing about me is that when I don't believe or don't like something I will not let it go with out a fight. This I can promise you for all your concerns. I believe that I've got the experience from being on the executive of the Italian Club on campus, by serving as president and vice-president of my highschool of 2500 students in Mississauga, and also serving on many student-teacher committees that dealt with the problems of the school boards within the city. Since this is a new position there is a lot more room for advice. So if I'm elected all your voices will be heard because culture is a very sensitive and important issue and we all have something we would like to share with the rest of the Laurentian community. So remember to vote because one vote could make a difference.

Solomon Colim



Cindy Henriques

Hi, my name is Cindy Henriques and I am running for the position of Director of Cultural Affairs. I am a second year student at Laurentian, majoring in History and Native Studies.

I am from a very diverse and varied multi-cultural background. It is with experience from such a diverse background that I am applying for this position. However I realize that this position also requires administration skills which I learned for many years while working in office environments.

In 1993 I volunteered as a participant for Youth Challenge International (YCI). With YCI I was placed to work in a forth world country in the South Pacific. Along with participants from Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Guyana, and Costa Rica, I worked on projects such as education, construction, environmental research, and medical care. Over there I learned to work with and liaise between many different cultures. I also developed leadership skills, and the ability to work independently or as a member of a group. Working under extreme pressure is vital to development work (the ability to dodge a Boa Constrictor and continue on your path is very vital!), I am glad to say this is one of the skills I posses! After my placement I continued to volunteer with YCI on a local level. I was involved in setting up cultural events and fairs as well as public education. I am currently involved with the Canadian Cancer Society where I volunteer as a support worker. On campus I am actively involved in Laurentian University African & Caribbean Students Association, the Native Students Association, the International Students Committee, and the Laurentian Coalition for Social Justice. With the Native Students Association I am a representative to the Students General Association (SGA). With the SGA I work on the Constitutional, External, and Cultural committees. I have enjoyed my time at Laurentian, whether it be in the classroom, taking part in extra-curricular activities such as intramural soccer, or walking among the many trails. I hope to continue to be an active participant in school as the Director of Cultural Affairs. This position has a great deal to offer every student at Laurentian and I feel that I am capable of fulfilling the role successfully. Thanks for your time,

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The summer is fast approaching. Those who are interested in finding a summer job must get their applications in as soon as possible. The Placement Centre has a number of summer job opportunities posted for the areas of Sudbury, Toronto, Ottawa and others. Make sure to check the board outside the office (2nd floor of the Parker Building) frequently or visit the LOCALNEWS group on the VAX

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INCONTRI, the Laurentian University student Italian Club is proud to present La primavera shoccante (Spring in Bloom), a fashion show which will take place on Saturday, March 9, 1997 at the Caruso Club, Upper Hall. The cost is \$10 for INCONTRI members and seniors and \$12 for non-members. The doors will open at 6:00pm, refreshments will be served and the show will begin at 7:00pm. A dance will follow. The show and its theme, which took its inspiration from Botticelli's masterpiece, will be an interpretation of Italian culture through the means of music, clothing, dance and food. All models are amateurs and students of Laurentian University. The fashions displayed have generously been made available by local Sudbury merchants.

Come out for an evening of dazzling entertainment and at the same time support the endeavours of Laurentian University students. For further information, call 675-1151, ext. 4274, 675-1357, 524-0882 or 522-5124.

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Friends Rush In

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

It has finally happened. Every one of the *Friends* actors has rushed into a movie to try to make a little money off their fame. Sure, everyone has their favourite Friend, but can they actually hack it in the reel world of movies? Until now, all I could answer was a resounding no, but **Matthew Perry** has proved he has some talent with his recently released hit *Fools Rush In*.

The name of **Matthew's** new movie should be taken to heart by the other cast members who rushed into some of the biggest pieces of film crap Hollywood has ever produced. First **Matt LeBlanc** bombed with *Ed*, followed by **David**



Schwimmer in *The Pallbearer* and Lisa Kudrow and Courtney Cox Jennifer Aniston in *She's The One*. opted for smaller roles in *Mother* and

Scream, but neither are getting very good reviews. It seemed for the longest time that **Marcel** was the only true star with his important role in *Outbreak*. That was until Canadian raised **Mat-**

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Friends

characters not transferring well to the big screen is that the public only wants to see Rachel, Ross, Joey, Chandler, Phoebe, and Monica. They don't want these characters to change and they get upset when they see their beloved Rachel in a movie where she complains that she has to use a vibrator because her husband does not satisfy her. None of these actors took into consideration that they are not famous for who they are, but for who they play.

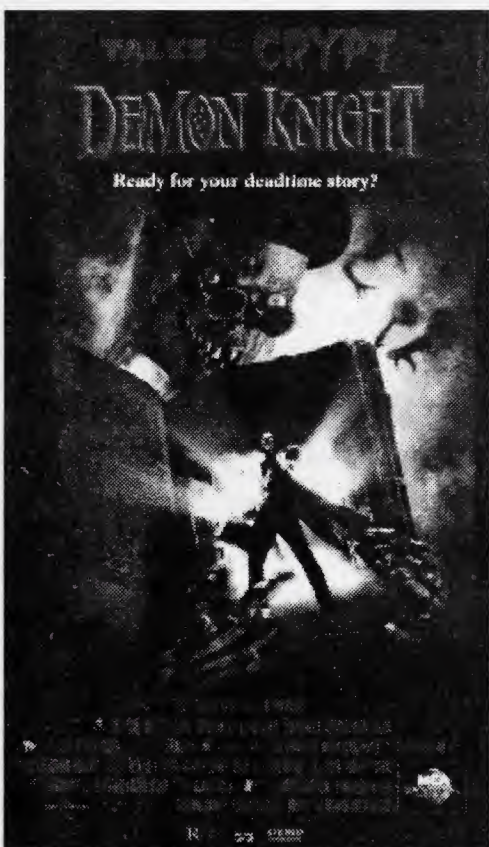
In *Fools Rush In*, **Matthew Perry** plays a wise-cracking, cynically funny single guy who works at a very well paying job. If you haven't figured it out yet, he plays Chandler. This is what everyone wants, and it's a good thing he does it so well. The story follows **Matthew** and **Salma Hayek** (*Desperado*) who have a one night stand and end up having a baby. Sure it may sound like the typical weird romantic comedy, but it is better than most. The characters are very believable and funny and the story is just hilarious. It's almost unbelievable that this is the true story of the movies two writers.

Fools Rush In is a great movie with a lot of laughs and a mix

of great acting with a overly funny storyline. As for the other *Friends* movies, do not be a fool, rush past these movies at all costs. Stick with a weekly dose of *Must See TV*, and maybe in a few years, the *Friends* will know how to pick a script that people will want to see. Or maybe they should just ask **Matthew's** opinion. He picked the only winner of the whole bunch (well, not including **Marcel**)!



Attack of the Cheese



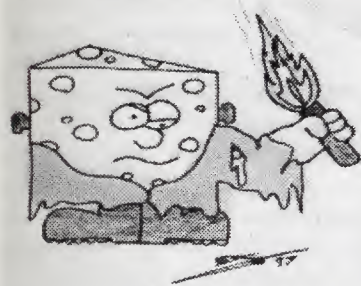
Zane's acting in this movie. The whole movie is basically carried on his shoulders and he pulls it off perfectly. The character of the Collector is one of the funniest, coolest, and cheesiest horror characters to ever grace the screen. If there was some sort of awards that actually looked at horror movies, **Zane** should have won best actor hands down. Another award should be given to the **Crypt Keeper**. Who ever created the character is a genius. The Keeper is hilarious to watch and always ends the shows and movies with some hilarious words of wisdom from the other side.

Demon Knight is the perfect horror movie to add to the already growing slices of cinematic cheese.

Sadler hides out in a hotel with a strange group of characters played by **Jada Pinkett** (*Low Down Dirty Shame*), **Thomas Hayden Church** (*Wings*), and **CCH Pounder** (*ER*). Using a vial of sacred blood, **Sadler** tries to seal off the hotel from the attack of the demons, but fails to fight the powers of the Collector.

Sure, the story sounds strange, but you just have to see **Billy**

together from TV and bad movies to its special effects that could make you vomit, this movie should not be missed. *Tales from the Crypt's Demon Knight* is a perfect laugh and scream cheese-fest. And if you are looking for more movies like this one, try *Tales from the Crypt's Bordello of Blood* or *Army of Darkness*. They'll scare the cheese right out of you!



by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

One of the easiest places for you to find movies dripping with cheese is the horror section of your local video store. The horror section should actually be renamed the cheese section. This week's horror cheese comes from one of the most successful cheese shows ever created by HBO.

Tales From The Crypt's Demon Knight is one of the strangest movies I have witnessed in a long time. I love watching the half hour shows every Saturday night, and was a little worried that with a feature length movie, they may change the style of *Crypt*. Thank God I was wrong. *Demon Knight* holds on to the campiness of its television predecessor and oozes the cheese needed to make *Crypt* entertaining.

Demon Knight stars **Billy Zane** (*The Phantom*) as the evil Collector, who is in pursuit of **William Sadler** (*Trespass*) who holds an ancient key which will unlock the demon legions from their slumber.

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Live - Secret Samadhi

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

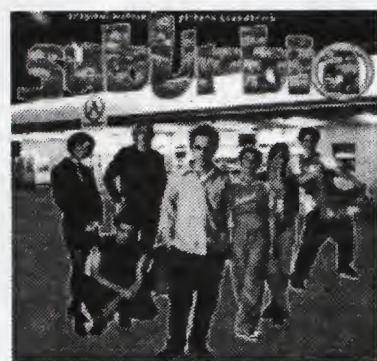
This seems to be the year of the sophomore album. Bands like The Offspring, Our Lady Peace, and Sheryl Crow are out to prove to the world that they are not just single album flashes, burning out with just one album. One of these flashes I was dead wrong about was Live. I never thought they would be able to create another album with the same intensity and appeal as *Throwing Copper*, but I was dead wrong.

Secret Samadhi to me is a major step up for the group from their past work. *Lightning Crashes*, *Selling the Drama*, and *I Alone* were great songs to gain fame and attention, but *Live* seems to have shed the alterna-wanna-be sound and gained a more distinctive sound and style that will carry them well through their next albums.

Lakini's Juice is the first single to be released from the album and is a good start. The song is not as strong as *Ghost*, *Gas Hed Goes West*, or *Unsheathed*, but it will surely gain the attention needed to release the other tracks. *Turn My Head* and *Century* are amazingly powerful songs reminiscent of *Lightning Crashes* (and they won't get as annoying).

One song I was drawn to was *Insomnia* and the *Hole In The Universe*, firstly by name alone (reminding me of the Pumpkins *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness*). The song has a strange, almost hypnotic feel to it, telling a story that many people will interpret their own way.

With an album this good, I am glad to say I was wrong. *Live* is not a flash in the pan that just disappears after about a year or two (see *No Doubt* in 1998!!!). Even if *Throwing Copper* was not your type of album, try *Secret Samadhi*, it will blow you away. With this much power behind this album, I can't wait for their third and fourth albums to arrive!



VA - subUrbia Soundtrack

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

Well, another movie about Generation X slackers wasting their lives away has come out and it, of course, has a soundtrack mixing all the big bands of today together on one tiny disk. Even if you don't go see the movie *subUrbia*, the soundtrack is worth picking up.

Sure, almost any soundtrack that comes out today has bands like *Butthole Surfers*, *Beck*, *Skinny*

Puppy, and *Sonic Youth* on it, but why change a good thing? These bands are big in the alternative scene, and if they want to lend their music to a soundtrack, so be it! Since you can't record your own disk featuring the groups you want, it's up to the soundtrack business to do it for you. So fans of the above mentioned groups, along with *The Flaming Lips*, *Elastica*, *Boss Hog*, and *Girls Against Boys*, this is the soundtrack for you.

As for the movie, I don't know how good it is going to be, but this is a great soundtrack. Fans of these groups should give this CD a listen to see if it lives up to its predecessors like *The Crow*, *Empire Records*, and *Big Shiny Tunes*. In my opinion, this is a CD worth your time and money.



Subconscious Communications - Paradigm Shift

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

I don't know how many of you know the story behind *Subconscious Communications*, so here's the quick run down. *Subconscious* is a Vancouver based record label started in 1993 by Dwayne Goettel

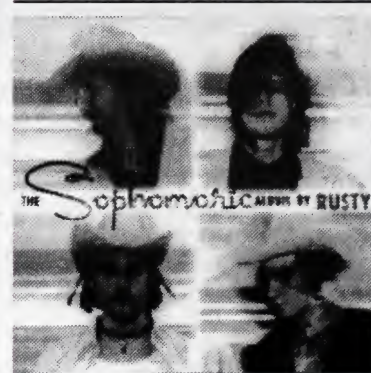


(former member of *Skinny Puppy*). After his death in 1995, *Puppy* bandmates kept up the operation of *Subconscious* along with other collaborators and groups.

Paradigm Shift is the label's tenth release, basically uniting many different bands' unreleased tracks on which Goettel himself appears. The album has been released as a tribute to the genius and talent that was taken from the Vancouver music scene so quickly.

The album features all the labels contributors including *aDuck*, *Dead Voices on Air*, *Download*, *Kone*, and *Plateau*. I know I have trashed some of the bigger named bands in the past like *The Tear Garden*, but this album should be taken for what it is, an amazing tribute. The album is rounded off by some of the more popular *Subconscious* bands like *Skinny Puppy*, *Philth*, and *Doubting Thomas*.

For fans of these bands this album is worth the search. The songs are great and show the talent that can be compiled by a smaller Canadian record label. *Paradigm Shift* was meant as a title for one of Dwayne Goettel's future works, but is now used ever so perfectly as a tribute to the past and future he has already created in the Canadian music industry.



Rusty - Sophomoric

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

Unlike their first album, *Rusty* is out to show the world that they are no *Fluke*. With their sophomore album titled *Sophomoric* (oooh, original!!) *Rusty* is out to prove that they are one of the premiere bands to come out of Toronto in the past decade.

After reading the band bio, these guys are the perfect young Canadian band. According to bassist *Jim Moore* they love to sit around and watch television and movies, especially reality based mini-series' starring someone from 90210. The first release from the album titled *Empty Cell* is based on one such made for

TV movie. Its a catchy song with a sound like *Sloan* or *Oasis*.

The whole album seems to have many different musical undertones. There is the definite hip, alternative sound, but many songs seem to have a strong base in seventies guitar rock. It's kind of like the *Dazed and Confused Soundtrack* set in the 90's. Another sound that pops up once in a while is a very country-ish way of playing. I don't know if it's intentional, or even a complement to say so, but that feeling comes out of at least three of the songs.

Rusty's popularity has become stronger as the days go by. With two albums out and even a song on the soundtrack for *Hard Core Logo*, I believe *Rusty* has made a place for themselves in Canadian music. *Sophomoric* is an album worth picking up while waiting for a live show by *Rusty* hopefully playing somewhere near by in the near future.

MudGirl—First Book

by Jodi Hewston
Contributor

Picture *Sugar*, the now-defunct pop-core supergroup headed by *Bob Mould*. Now picture *Sugar* with a female singer. Now picture *Sugar*, with a female singer, covering songs from the 80's. That's *MudGirl*. Like *Sugar*, *MudGirl* has a knack for creating songs that get into your head and won't leave; this 5 song E.P., *First Book* is full of memorable pop songs, none catchier than the others - there are no stand-outs. With *First Book* *MudGirl* has created a sort of challenge for other alterna-pop bands to meet. Unlike, say, *Pluto* - whose songs all sound eerily alike - *MudGirl's* music is diverse. *MudGirl's* music is diverse. Unlike, say, *Oasis*, *MudGirl's* songs are not nauseously self-indulgent. And unlike that girl from *Elastica*, *MudGirl's* *Kim Bingham* can sing! (she's a welcome change from *Hole's* screaming *Courtney Love*). Her voice is beautiful and mixes extremely well with the music on the album. Bands with such a firm grasp on their pop sensibilities are few and far between - most end up sounding cheesy - but *MudGirl* joins an elite group who understands what goes into a good pop album. *Mudgirl's First Book* is strongly recommended, especially to fans of *Limblifter*, *Weezer*, *Veruca Salt*, *Cold Motor*, *Rodent* and *super Garage*. If you're not a fan of any of those bands, pick up *MudGirl* anyway - they might just turn you on to something new.

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Enter Stage Right

by Gord Gekko
Columnist

Surprisingly, the SGA never fails to amaze me. Four years at Laurentian should have inured me to the machinations of the Student General Association, but to their credit they always come up with a different way to make me happy that I gave up my membership in my third year.

The latest derangement came while I was reading the "newspaper" *The Northern Life*, which proudly carried the second page headline "Student leaders ask president to close university for protest."

Undoubtedly, you heard that some in the community want to hold a "Celebration of Resistance" on March 21 and 22 to protest the politics of the Harris government. The so-called celebration does bring up the question of ethics, but none so blatant as those raised by the actions of the SGA.

In case you are unaware, the SGA has sent a letter to the university president Ross Paul asking him to close the university on Friday, March 21 so students and staff can wave signs and chant slogans. According to the article, negotiations have even begun with the faculty and staff unions to "bring them on their side."

While one could question whether the SGA has the mandate to represent all the students as "resistors" to the Harris agenda, since the SGA does take money from those students who do support that agenda, that still is not the main issue. What is at issue is whether our young radicals have the right to deprive others of education, ostensibly the main reason why people go to Laurentian.

Does the SGA have the right to impose their agenda on all students? Students who wish to play hooky and march around the city for one cause or another to have the ability to leave the school at any time they wish, and do not cause any harm to those who do not want to protest.

The SGA shows the bankruptcy of its, and the "resistors", ideology by calling for the shutdown. The left, which is where I personally believe where the core beliefs of the SGA council resides, fundamentally believes that they have the right to impose on anyone they wish if they believe it will further their cause. Don't believe the Harris agenda? Make sure anyone suffers for it. Simply presuppose that you have the right to infringe on the human rights of others to achieve whatever ends you want.

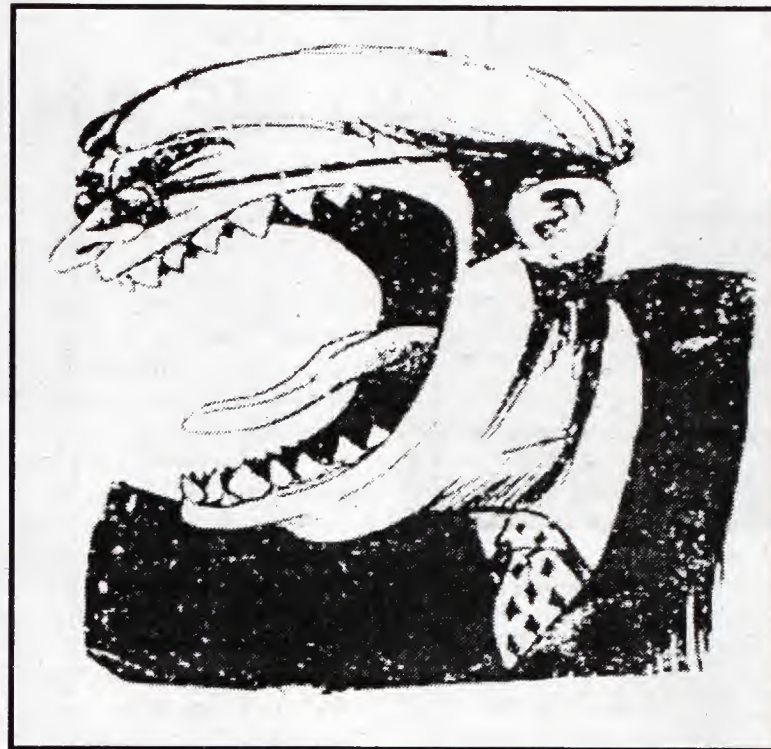
Are "students firmly behind" this idea as the article states Tannys Laughren believes? I suppose she has as much evidence as I do what the

student body believes. But her argument resides in the fallacy of believing if the majority believes something, then all do. Even if the majority of students want a long holiday for the celebration, they do not have the right to infringe on the students who want to be educated.

And the faculty? The faculty are public servants who have a moral obligation to show up for work and do what they are paid for, which is to provide education, not air their political views out of context. I suspect though, that a certain man who apparently has some history of activism himself will allow the faculty and staff to "call in sick" that day, effectively giving in.

The SGA has no right to force their political views on the campus community as a whole. Their call for a shutdown shows the moral bankruptcy of a council who has the ability to issue political pronouncements, but for years have timidly ignored truly pressing problems at Laurentian, such as professors who have no right to be teaching or addressing the rampant apathy, created in part by that very council.

The SGA should give up on its plan to infringe on people's rights. Students who want to protest are certainly free to. Staff and faculty who don't show up should face appropriate sanctions. Laurentian's role, as a publicly owned institution, is to do



what it was created to do, not encourage the violation of rights.

But then again would the left have qualms about infringing on others? No need to set a precedent on that regards. All the SGA wants is to make sure all students show up to their Two Days Of Hate so that they may shrilly scream at their version of Emmanuel Goldstein...and look good for the cameras.

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I have been rather busy the

last few months with a new project so I haven't had a chance to write *Enter Stage Right* as often as I wanted to. I know some have asked where it's been. Since we don't want Mr. Marks to be alone, you'll see more of this column.

The web version of *Enter Stage Right* has been doing remarkable. If you want to read some great stuff about conservatism from a decidedly unorthodox perspective from people across North America, visit *Enter Stage Right* at <http://esr.cybercafe.com>.

The Amiable Librarian

This column is based on questions and suggestions received by staff members of the Desmarais Library either personally or on the "Compliments / Questions / Suggestions" form that may be filled out near the exit of the library.

Question: I would like to know why the student body is not automatically registered to use the library services when the register for the school year. It seems an immense waste of time and paper to register separately the first time a book is signed out that year.. The University of Toronto changed their system about 6-7 years ago so that a student who is properly registered for the year is automatically registered for the library.

Reply: You are absolutely right. This University has not yet been able to create a workable handshake between the registrar's files and the library's. That said, Laurentian (in concert with Lakehead and Trent Universities) has apparently has just purchased a new Student Information System, due to be rolled out next fall, that will resolve the very problem you have identified.

In preparation for that move, you may have noticed that this year your student card number now serves as the basis of your patron number in the library; the student card may also be used as a photocopy card. If you are still shelling out a loonie for the old blue and white photocopy card, you need do this no more since an amount for photocopying can be added to your student card.

Question: As a faculty member, I'm

privileged to take out library books for four months and in the past year, the library has been kind enough to send me memos about books that are almost due. This is much appreciated because of my busy schedule. Could we please continue the practice?

Reply: No, not to put the matter to ungraciously. The reason for this change in library practice is twofold. First, as you may have noticed, library staff numbers were reduced last year in budget cuts, and overdue notices was one service that had to go. Second, you, like everyone else, can check when your books are due using the loans module. On the VAX, at the \$ prompt, just type loans, and once you select the Desmarais Library, you will be automatically connected to a menu that allows you not only to check what you have out, but also to renew your books (once) as well as to place holds. In your case, you may do this from the comfort of your office. If you need specific instruction on what to do, pick up the library's brochure "Do It Yourself" (although a copy of this brochure was mailed to every faculty member last fall and it might be in the file you hopefully have set up under LIBRARY)

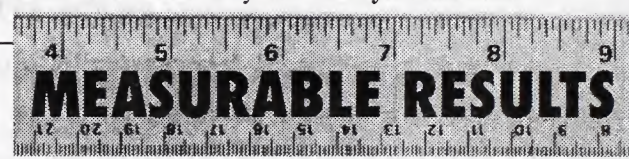
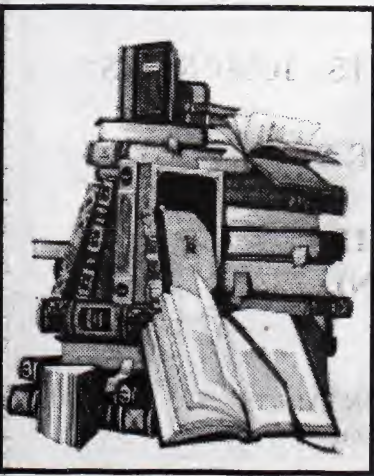
Question: I was wondering why many of the books in the nursing section are in excess of 3 or 4 copies. In many other disciplines, we only get one copy of each book, so the prof. must put it on reserve so everyone has a fair chance.

Reply: Shrewd observation. The library's general policy is to purchase

one copy of each title, not several. In the case of nursing, the program has been offered simultaneously at several sites off campus and in those instances, the library purchased more than one copy of a title.

Question: I find that the university calendars for Canadian universities, especially graduate calendars, are missing in the library; and many of the ones still here are outdated. I think it would be beneficial to students to access Ontario university calendars for graduate study.

Reply: Some universities have stopped sending us calendars because of the cost; other because they have made them available on the WWW. In still other instances, the calendars we have, have been removed from the library. For the moment, the Counseling and Resource Centre (L210) has a more complete collection than the library's, and you are always welcome to consult it. For more information, please contact Dr. Paddy Blenkinsop, ext. 1030.



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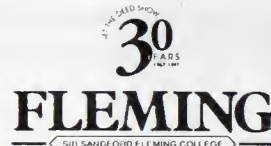
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Straight Shooters

by Glam O. Rous

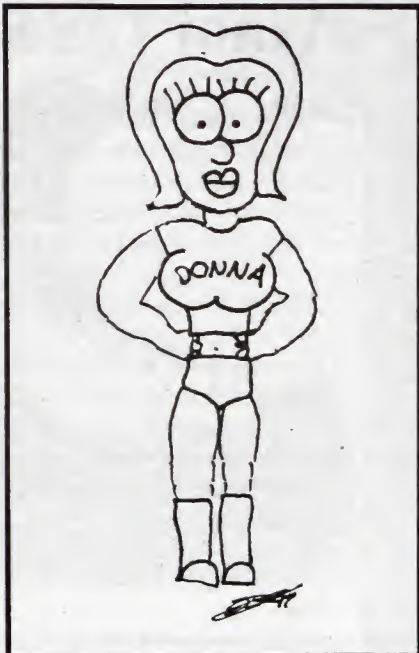
Contributor

In the last 7 seasons, Beverly Hills, 90210 has frequently toyed with addictions in its plotlines. Kelly took diet pills for an episode or two as well as last seasons bout with cocaine. Valerie used marijuana when she first appeared on the Bev Hills scene and she even tried to turn Dylan back to drug use. Dylan, of course, was already an alcoholic. Troubled David was addicted to crystal meth in the first "College Years" season. Even straight arrow Brandon was addicted to gambling. The main critique of these plotlines is the fact that once another member of the Peach Pit crowd discovers the problem, the addict promptly gets help and in one week, the problem is solved.

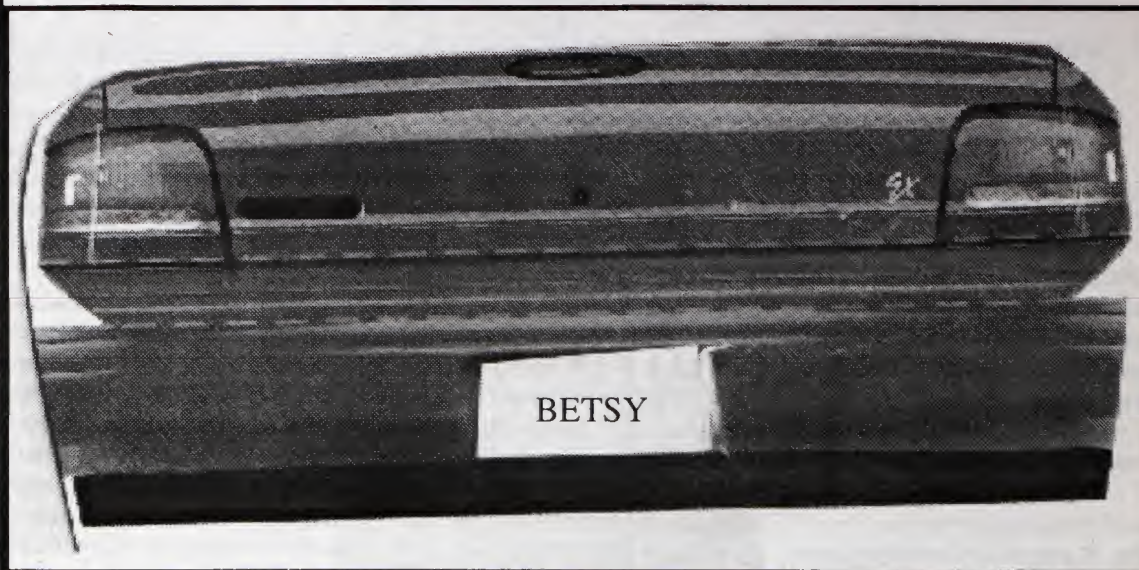
Most recently, Steve has been using marijuana which was introduced to him by his new buddy Dick. In last night's episode (Monday, Feb 24th or Wednesday, Feb 26th), Dick tries to convince Steve to try heroin. Steve is a little nervous, but agrees to try it later since it is the night before a big 3-on-3 basketball game. Steve asks that Dick, "save some for him." At the end of the evening, Steve finds Dick unconscious in the bathroom of the After Dark. Help is called in but the bigwigs at BH 90210 kill off the character of Dick anyway. This is a rather unprecedented move since no other character has died as a result of his or her addiction. Finally, an addiction problem that is not cleared up in the allotted air time in a nice neat package.

Near the end of the show, a group of people gather outside the After Dark with candles and flowers and pictures of Dick. Steve and Brandon pull up and notice a bong amidst the shrine. It is then that Steve delivers his greatest lines in seven years. He says, "Let's not make this cool. This isn't cool, this is stupid. I know what I was talking about. I'm alive because Dick died first."

I must admit, I was rather impressed by Monday/Wednesday night's episode. As far as I can remember, only four people have been killed off BH: the geeky kid in the first season who shot himself, Dylan's father who was blown up by the mob, Dylan's wife who was shot by the mob and now Dick. I will admit, I cried more during the funeral for Dylan's wife but it may have been because Luke Perry was leaving the show. This most recent episode was thought provoking and unusually real. (OK, so Steve's addiction to marijuana has suddenly disappeared, but it is realistic to think that since a close friend OD'd, he would be scared straight.) Still, people OD and that's a fact. It was rather nice to see the glammy show finally deal with an issue more serious than "what colour will Tory Spelling's hair be?"



Betsy vs The Millennium Falcon

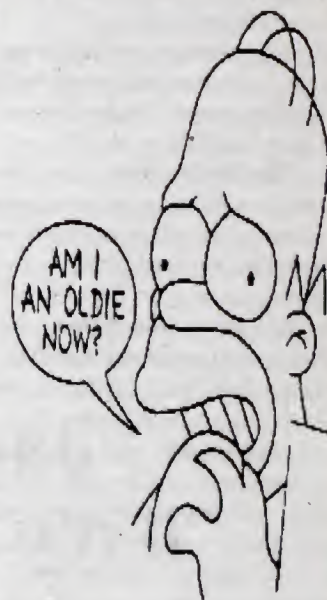


Many faithful Lambda readers may remember my earlier article titled "Betsy and Me." In keeping with the spirit of Star Wars, I have decided to compare my WonderMobile with Han Solo's Falcon. Here's how they fare.

1. Han Solo won the Falcon in a card game with Lando Calrissian. My mother and I have played cards together.
2. Sometimes Betsy has problems jumping to light speed.
3. If my brother's hair gets any longer, he could be mistaken for a Wookiee. He drives Betsy sometimes, as Chewie sometimes pilots the Falcon.
4. Han Solo maneuvers the Falcon through an asteroid field. Have you ever the Pit? Betsy has.
5. The original toy model of the Millennium Falcon is worth about \$150.00. Surprisingly, so is Betsy.

You Heard It Here First...

Here is something that every Simpsons fan should know about. A new album called "Songs In The Key Of Springfield: Original Music From the Television Series" will be released very shortly on Rhino records. All of your favourite hits like "Who Needs the Kwik-E-Mart" and "Senor Burns" by Tito Puente and His Latin Jazz Ensemble are on this compilation of hits. Watch for it! It is a necessity for any Simpsons fan and will be a nice change from "Simpsons Sing the Blues". We can stop asking people to "Do The Bartman."



POETRY CORNER

When We Finally Happen

The first time I saw you,
I immediately knew,
That I had no need for wishes,
You had already come true.
I couldn't help but stare,
At your eyes, your smile, your hair,
Life just wouldn't be fair,
If we didn't happen.

We've become special friends,
But is this where it ends?
I don't know how to tell,
If this is real or pretend.
Its the scent I can't ignore,
From my shirt that you once wore,
What will love have in store,
When we finally happen?

Time will never erase,
The lines that form your face,
In my mind, like in my heart,
You hold a very special place,
I hope that fate will have the grace
To let us happen.

To: P
Love: S

Defiance

You wait to see me break
And be gone before I fall
Slap me, beat me, while you can
It won't hurt me at all

I am the caretaker of my dreams
And owner of my thoughts
My destiny lies in my hands
Not in the despair you've brought

Your cold winds make me shiver
But do not freeze my soul
I will not go without a fight
Even if I lose control

You say others have tried and failed
Well I am not like them
I have seen behind your mask
I know that I can win

So take your facts and take your fiction
And get them out of my face
Your reign over me has ended
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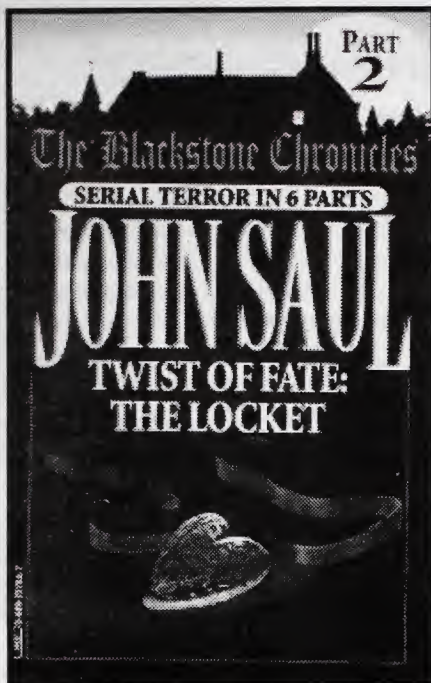
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Critic In The Bookshelves

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer



Well, it seems to be the new fad in the book stores over the past year. The serial novel has come back into print and has sent readers back to the store every month for the continuation of their newest stories.

It all started last year with *Stephen King's Green Mile* novels. The story follows the lives of workers in on Death Row who receive a new inmate with some special powers. The story is interesting and follows different inmates' and workers' stories who are all entwined with the main story of the guilt or innocence or Coffey, the new inmate with special healing powers even he does not understand himself.

The *Green Mile* is interesting, but not the type of story you would expect from the king of horror. The story has its weird elements, but goes the way of a cheap version of *The Shawshank Redemption* and no where near the horror of *The Shin-*

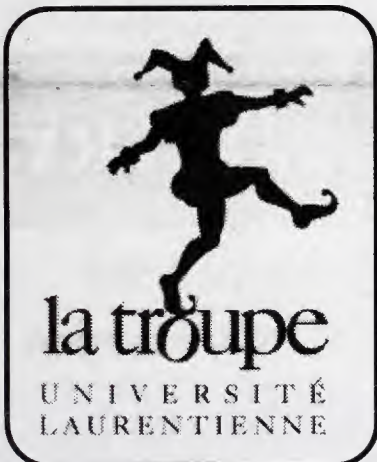
ing. King does prove that he can write different styles, but I don't think people will enjoy these novels as much as his past work.

The newest author to start on the serial novel craze is horror novelist *John Saul*. *The Blackstone Chronicles* is now on its second of

six parts and is far superior to those of *Stephen King*. The story follows the destruction of an insane asylum and an unknown visitor who sends gifts to the prominent families of the town as revenge for a yet unknown past occurrence. This story has the horror and gruesome elements you would expect from a horror novelist. *John Saul* has not reached the level of *King*, but his novels to me are superior to that of *King*. Many people may not like the idea of a serial novel, but it does grow on you. I did think at first it was a stupid idea, but now I love it. It's great to get so involved in a story, then all of a sudden it ends and you have to wait. The suspense helps the story along and builds it as a much stronger storyline. If you are out to find a new style of novel to read, I highly recommend the serial novel. So far all there is out there is *The Green Mile* and *The Blackstone Chronicles*, but hopefully there will be more authors with the guts to try this style.

Jacques Prévert: "il n'y a plus d'enfant..."

par Carine Schlup
Journaliste



Pour toutes les personnes qui en ont maré de l'hiver et qui recherchent un divertissement exceptionnel, j'ai une très bonne nouvelle pour vous: la troupe de l'université Laurentienne nous revient!

Pour les connaisseurs de cet événement, je peux vous garantir qu'une année d'absence n'a rien enlevé de la qualité de cette présentation. Cette année encore un groupe

de jeunes a dédié son cœur à la création de ce spectacle intitulé: Jacques Prévert "il n'y a plus

d'enfants..."

Je pourrais vous parler des différentes créations, des effets spéciaux, de l'humour, et de la tristesse qui se trouve dans cette pièce de théâtre mais tout cela ne représenterait que l'apéritif du menu total.

Ne laissez personne gâcher votre soirée d'amusement et de détente; venez nous voir du 5 au 8 mars 1997 à 20h30 à l'Auditorium Alphonse Raymond, à l'Université Laurentienne.

What The Fuck?!?

It's back!!! Everyone's favorite section filled with all the stupid questions you were afraid to ask... until now! Here goes, and remember, if you have anything you want to know, drop off your personal *What The Fuck* questions to Lambda and we will be sure to use them in the future.

1. If a mute swears, does his mother wash his hands with soap?
2. If a person with multiple personalities threatens to kill themselves, is it considered a hostage situation?
3. Is there another word for synonym?
4. Does it make you nervous that doctors call what they do "practice"?
5. If a sign maker goes on strike, is there anything written on their signs?
6. When you open a bag of cotton balls, is the top one to be thrown away?
7. Why isn't there mouse flavored cat food?
8. Why do they report power outages on TV?
9. Is it possible to be totally partial?
10. What is another word for thesaurus?
11. If a parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?
12. Is a fly without wings called a walk?
13. Why do they lock gas station bathrooms? Are they afraid someone might clean them?
14. Why do people that know the least know it the loudest?
15. If a turtle loses his shell, is he homeless or naked?
16. When it rains, why don't sheep shrink?
17. Can a vegetarian eat animal crackers?
18. Why is the word abbreviation so long?
19. What do Styrofoam companies pack their shipments in?
20. If a mime is arrested, does he have the right to remain silent?

This Week At Cinefest

Check out the March schedule for Cinescreen at the City Centre Cinemas every night at 7:00pm. A lot of the movies coming up are the ones we have been waiting to see. The movies are only \$6.00 a person and worth checking out.

Friday, Feb. 28 to Sunday, Mar. 2

It's finally here! *Michael Collins* starring Liam Neeson came and went so fast that no one even saw it. This film about Irish revolutionary Michael Collins has been talked about as being one of the must see movies of the year! Sure, it was snubbed at the Oscars, but it is worth seeing.

March 3 & 4 (Monday and Tuesday)

Caught. A strange movie about the love affair between a drifter and his boss' wife. The movie stars Edward James Olmos and Maria Conchita Alonso. The end sequence is great and will haunt you for a long time after.

March 5 & 6 (Wednesday and Thursday)

Oscar winner Kevin Spacey has entered the directing world with *Albino Alligator*. It's a cool crime drama about gangsters and their hostages. The movie stars Matt Dillon and Gary Sinise.

March 7 to 9 (Friday to Sunday)

This is probably one of the funniest movies of the year! Albert Brooks' *Mother* stars Debbi Reynolds as one of the funniest mothers you will ever come across. Trust us, this is one movie that should not be missed.

Also coming this month from Cinefest:

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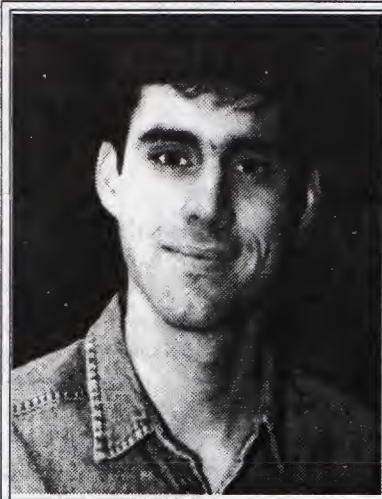
Post-secondary education in Ontario is undergoing dramatic changes and students at Laurentian are facing unprecedented challenges. We students need to be strongly represented in the critical decisions that are being made. My name is Andrew Bell and I will give you, as members of the S.G.A., the representation you expect and deserve.

During my four years at Laurentian I have actively supported the student community. It is through my extensive participation in student politics that I have been able to understand how to deal with the issues that affect S.G.A. members.

I am presently serving as President of Single Student Residence Council, a position which has broadened my personal, organizational, and communication skills. These are all skills which are an asset to the position of S.G.A. President.

In the coming year, a period of tough changes to education, the S.G.A. must firmly represent the best interests of its members. These changes have resulted in university restructuring and rising tuition costs and have a direct effect on students. Challenges I will tackle as President include internal issues such as campus diversity, S.G.A. relations with other university organizations, and the openness of the S.G.A. I will fight to ensure that the services which Laurentian provides on campus are here to serve you, and I will work hard to improve them. My experience in student politics will allow me to meet these challenges head on.

On March 5th and 6th, vote for strong, effective, active and fair leadership; vote Andrew Bell for S.G.A. President.



Mike Grube

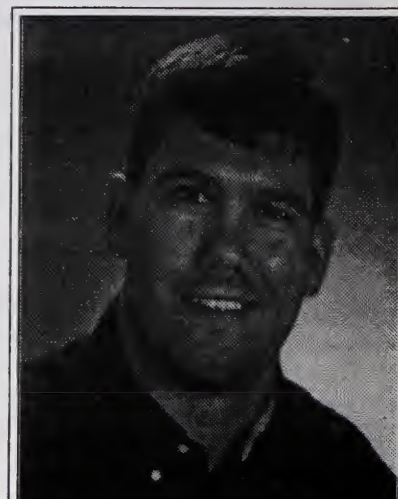
Good day fellow Laurentian students. I would like to thank you for the opportunity this year to serve as your President. It has been a very busy and hectic year but also extremely gratifying. It has been such as positive experience that at this time I would like to declare my candidacy for the same position (President) for the 1997-98 academic year.

The things that I have learnt this past year will allow me to represent the students of Laurentian more effectively in the future. This is a very interesting and troublesome time for students all across the country as funding for Post Secondary Education changes. Students now more than ever need and deserve a strong voice. I believe that my experience with the SGA and Laurentian over the last four years will enable me to be that voice.

As you know, the administration at Laurentian at times does not seem student friendly. During the last four years I obtained the knowledge of Laurentian's infrastructure that is an advantage when dealing with LU's administration. Laurentian is changing as we speak in response to the government cuts and will continue to change in the coming months and years. Presently the University is restructuring its faculty model. At the December Senate meeting a motion passed for the reconfiguration of the faculties from the present four faculties to two faculties. At the same time, one of the many committees that I sit on is looking at Senate composition. These are major changes Laurentian is going through, which we have not seen since the formation of Laurentian some 37 years ago. More student representatives and more options for students are goals that I have for both of these projects. With the right representation I believe that these goals are attainable.

It is very easy to become trapped in the bureaucratic structure of a University, particularly as a student President, but I believe that I have done a good job avoiding this pitfall. In conjunction with the 20 - 30 committees that I presently sit on representing students there were other projects that I have completed. These include the SGA Guide to Academic Appeals, Free Legal Aid available in the SGA office, and Underage Policy for the Pub DownUnder, SGA Professor/Course Evaluations, a historic agreement between the NSA and the SGA, and on numerous occasions representing students on academic appeals.

Remember the candidate speeches are on February 27 in the Science cafeteria and on March 3 in the Great Hall. On March 5 & 6 VOTE TO RE-ELECT MIKE GRUBE AS SGA PRESIDENT. Thank you for your time and consideration.



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Lady Vees OWIAA's a Success

by Phillip Hadley
Staff Writer

Our Lady Vees swim team finished their OWIAA conference championships for the 96-97 season on a high note. Our Vees placed sixth overall out of fourteen competing teams from Ontario universities, completing their best finish ever. Andrea Nicholls and Co-captain Angela Lilly have qualified for the CIAU championships this week. At the CIAU championships they will face Canada's and some of the world's top swimmers. Good luck Ladies.

Andrea Nicholls proved that hard work and consistency do pay-off. Nicholls earned her CIAU qualifying time in the 400 individual medley during finals where she placed fifth overall. Having missed the tough qualifying standard by only tenths of a second in morning preliminaries, Andrea dug down deep at night to scrape under the time. Andrea continued her great results in the 200 backstroke, placing sixth. Again Nicholls came close to qualifying for the university championships, com-

ing within tenths of a second in both the heats and preliminaries of the backstroke. Earning more points for the team, Andrea finished second in the consolation final of the 400 free-style.

Co-Captain Angela Lilly didn't have quite the meet she was working towards but still swam tough and with spirit to score valuable points for the team. Lilly had already qualified for the CIAU championships in November at a meet in Toronto. she came through and placed eighth in the 200 individual medley, and in the consolation finals placed second in the 200 back, seventh in the 100 free and eighth in the 200 individual medley. Angela is set to go this week-end in Toronto and it's my prediction that Andrea and Angela will have a grand meet.

While we may not have big stars on our team who win every event, we proved we have depth and toughness; the 4x200 free relay consisting of Angela Lilly, Andrea Nicholls, Cynthia Vincze and Stephanie McMahon, placed sixth overall. The 4x100 free team of Angela Lilly, Stephanie McMahon, Cynthia Vincze and Kristin Sturgis, placing eighth. Our Ladies continued

winning points in the 4x100 medley relay, placing eleventh with the team of Mary Popp, Jenn Bromley, Stephanie McMahon and Cynthia Vincze. Kristin Sturgis, Tara Aloisi, Angela Lilly and Mary Popp turned in a thirteenth placing in the 4x50 free relay.

Cynthia Vincze and Stephanie McMahon missed qualifying times this year for CIAU champs, but will certainly be there next year. Cynthia placed fifth in the consolation 200 free and sixth in the 100 free. Stephanie McMahon was two steps away from finals in her specialty, placing second in consols of 50 fly, sixth in the 200 free. Our Ladies continued to do well in the sprints. Mary Popp finished fourth in the consols and Jenn Bromley swam to eighth in her consol final. Team Co-captain Pam Hutchinson, who should be at next year's CIAU champs, placed sixth in the 200 fly consols.

Fortunately, our Lady Vees are not losing any of our swimmers to graduation. With new recruits and building on the success of this year, our Lady Vees should push through to an even better finish next year - you can bet on it.

Intramural Update

by Catherine Koehler
Contributor

3 on 3 Basketball

What's going on Laurentian?!? 3 on 3 Basketball is still not full. We need more teams for this usually very popular event to run. So get some friends together (3 guys or 3 girls) and strut your stuff on the court. For more information please contact the Active Living office at 675-1151 ext. 1018.

Hockey

The womens' intramural hockey season is wrapping up. The action has been fast and furious. It is rumored that the convenors have something special in the works for the end of the season, so hockey players keep your eyes open for more announcements.

Volleyball

Volleyball is in its' third week and going smooth. There is some great talent out there so come and cheer on your teams Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Molson's Athletes of the Week

February 9, 1997

Male Athlete - Shawn Swords, Basketball

Shawn Swords is a fifth year economics student from Ottawa. Swords led the voyageurs to victories over Bishop's and Laval. Although he averaged eleven points in the two wins his greatest contribution was his tenacious defense and offensive creativity. The team captain has helped the Voyageurs extend their league unbeaten streak to 14 games.

Female Athlete - Shauna Conway, Basketball

Shauna Conway is a first year physical education student from Sault Ste. Marie. Conway scored sixteen points in the Lady Vees victory over Laval on Sunday. In addition to contributing to the scoring cause Shauna added solid rebounding and strong defense. Conway's exceptional play helped the Lady Vees move their league record to 10-4.

February 16, 1997

Male Athlete - Brad Johnson

Brad Johnson is a fourth year commerce student at Laurentian University. A co-captain of the Laurentian swim team, Johnson led the team to a fourth place finish at the OUAA championships. Claiming gold medals in the 50 free, 100 free and 100 fly as well as a silver in the 50 fly Johnson was named athlete of the meet. Johnson's outstanding performance has earned him Laurentian's Molson male athlete of the week honours.

Female Athlete - Shelley Dewar

Shelley Dewar is a third year physical education student at Laurentian. A Guard on the Lady Vees Basketball team and native of Sudbury, Shelley averaged eight points and four rebounds as the Lady Vees made the tough Montreal road-trip. Dewar's deadly outside touch will be counted on as the Lady Vees prepare for the drive to the playoffs. Shelley's performance on the court has earned her Laurentian's female athlete of the week honours.

February 23, 1997

Male Athlete - Gary Roach

Gary is a first year arts student from Sault Ste. Marie. Gary had 4 assists in a 9-0 romp over Ryerson and added a goal and an assist in a 6-2 victory over Brock. Roach will be counted on to continue his solid play as the Voyageurs battle Brock on Wednesday in a playoff match-up.

Female Athlete - Diane Carlsson

Diane Carlsson is a fifth year master of science student at Laurentian. In the OWIAA Championships Diane finished third in the women's skate. Carlsson was also 7th in the Womens' classic event. Her outstanding results earned her a spot on the OW all-star team.

**GO SEE THE VEES
THIS WEEKEND!!!**

Upcoming Events

Sudbury to host National Midget Hockey Championships

The Northern Ontario Hockey Association has been awarded the Air Canada Tournament '98. The host association will be the Sudbury Minor Hockey Association with all games being played at the Sudbury Arena.

This is a prestigious national midget hockey championship as it will feature the top midget aged players from the East Coast to the Pacific Coast. Of Course the Sudbury Cara Capitals midget hockey club receives automatic entry into the tournament as host team.

Great Northern Roller Hockey League

Registrations are now being accepted for Roller Hockey. All ages and skill levels are welcome. For more information please call 688-9665 or pick up your registration form today at Play it Again Sports in the Lasalle Court Mall.

1997 OUAA Basketball Championships

Both the OUAA East and West conference finals will be Saturday March 8, at Varsity Arena in Toronto. The two conference champions automatically advance to the CIAU finals in Halifax. Following the championships, a Wild Card game between the two conference runner-ups will be played, with the winner having a very good chance at being chosen as a third Ontario team to go to the Nationals.

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Hockey Vees Finish Season on Positive Note; Face Precarious Future

by Steven Proceviat

Staff Writer

The Hockey Vees finished their regular season in fine style over the weekend, flying high in decisive victories over the Ryerson Rams and the Brock Badgers.

Sunday's 6-2 pounding of Brock, coming after a 9-0 whitewash of Ryerson on Saturday, saw the Vees finally enjoy the fruits of their labors by managing to avoid ending their season at the dreaded .500 mark that had for so long been nipping at their heels.

Kevin MacKay was Saturday's top sniper, notching a hat-trick against the Rams. Cory Evans chipped in two goals of his own, while singles went to Pat Armatage, Bryan Ladyk, Kiley Hill and Greg Sutherland. Goalie Chris McCarthy fended off the Ryerson attack, such as it was, to record the shutout.

On Sunday, Brad Baber led the way against the Badgers with two goals. Rounding out the scoring for the Vees were Gary Roach, Jeff Paquette, Hill and Ladyk.

The Vees' second season, the playoffs, commences on Wednesday at the Sudbury Arena where they will face Brock to the sidelines. However, all too often over the course of the season have moderate successes bred Vees' complacency. Looking beyond the seemingly unthreatening Badgers could prove very detrimental to any plans the Vees have of enjoying a lengthy playoff run. They must play this game as though it will be their last. If they don't, it very well may be.

Lady Vees score convincing win over the Rouge et Or

by Remi Gunn

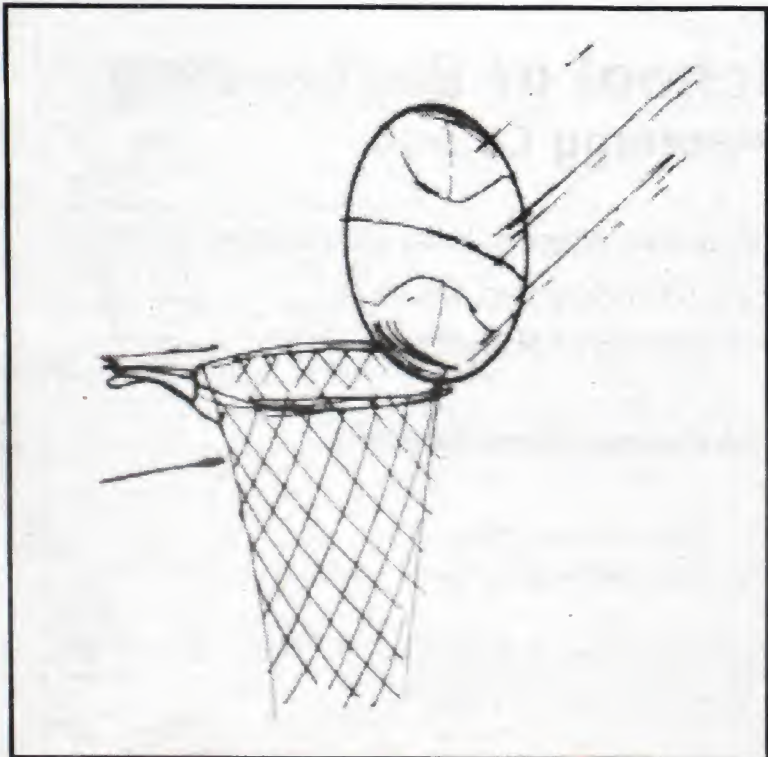
Staff Writer

The Lady Vees took on the Laval Rouge et Or on Sunday February 9 at the Ben Avery Gym. After getting off to a slow start, the Lady Vees came through in the second half, securing a 74-54 victory over the Rouge et Or.

The Vees were solid, but unexceptional in the first half. Maintaining a small lead throughout the half, the Lady Vees were able to hold the Rouge et Or at bay. They did this in spite of the fact that they were missing key starter Joy McNichol, who is out indefinitely due to a recurring shoulder injury. She did, however, provide moral support from the bench. At the end of the half, the Lady Vees went into the locker room with a 6 point lead.

The Vees came alive in the second half, easily pushing the lead to around 10 points. Sophomore Vee Stephanie Harrison showed some great offensive prowess, digging in and dominating the play under the net. Midway through the half, the Lady Vees offense took control, pushing the lead to 16 points. Their formidable defense kept the Rouge et Or at bay. In the end, the Vees pulled it all together and tidily defeated Laval by 20 points.

The Molson's Player of the Game for the Vees was rookie guard Shauna Conway.



Vee Line

Basketball

Lady Vees Lose to McGill

In the first game of a Montreal road trip, the Lady Vees were defeated by the McGill Martlets 73-46. Laurentian fought a hard battle throughout the whole game. In the first half, McGill outscored the Vees by four points with a score of 30-26. The top scorers for the Vees were **Stephanie Harrison** and **Karen Vos** with 10 points apiece.

Voyageurs Defeat the Redmen

On Friday February 14, 1997, the Voyageurs broke a lot of hearts when they defeated the McGill Redmen 79-49. In the first 12 minutes of the game, the Voyageurs lost their 6'0" All-Canadian guard **Cory Bailey** due to a minor knee injury. He returned for Sunday's game against Concordia. The top scorers for the Voyageurs were **Shawn Swords** with 24 points and 7 rebounds and **Jason Hurley** with 14. Shawn was also named player of the game.

Lady Vees Lose to Stingers

In their second game of the weekend, the Lady Vees were defeated 60-55 by Concordia University. Laurentian battled to the buzzer, but came up short in the end. The top scorers for the Lady Vees were **Stephanie Desutter** scoring 18 points and **Shelley Dewar** with 9 points.

Voyageurs Streak Continues

The men's basketball team extended their perfect league record to 16-0 with a 95-85 win at Concordia. **Shawn Swords** led the Voyageurs with 29 points and 12 rebounds. **Cory Bailey** added twenty points to the cause.

Lady Vees back on Track

The Lady Vees rediscovered their winning ways on a road trip to Kingston. Despite trailing 40-32 at the half, Laurentian improved their record to 11-6 by way of a 74-66 win. **Stephanie Desutter** led the way for the Lady Vees with 15 points, while **Katie Malone** and **Stephanie Harrison** both added 11 points. Molson Player of the Game for the Lady Vees was **Karen Vos** with 10 points and 4 rebounds.

Voyageurs Still Perfect

The Voyageurs increased their perfect league record to 17-0 through an 83-64 win over the Golden Gaels. Laurentian was led by All-Canadian **Cory Bailey** who scored 25 points and 9 boards while **Roan Biggs** added 15 points and 9 boards. **Shawn Swords** played only two minutes as he left the game with an ankle injury.

U. of T. Defeats Lady Vees

The Lady Vees dropped an 80-64 decision to the U. of T. Blues last Saturday afternoon in Toronto. The Lady Vees trailed 46-34 at the half but could not close the gap in the second half. **Stephanie Harrison** led the Lady Vees with 20 points and 9 rebounds. **Karen Vos** added 9 points and 7 boards. The team now sports a record of 11-7. The Lady Vees return home to host Ryerson and York next Friday and Sunday Respectively.

Vees lose First Game of the Season

The Laurentian Voyageurs men's basketball team lost their first game of the OUAA regular season to the University of Toronto Varsity Blues. The score was 80-55. **Anthony Malcolm** and **Kevin Gordon** were the Voyageurs leading scorers with 10 points each. **Cory Bailey** was the Molson Athlete of the Game for the Vees with 9 points and 5 rebounds. With the loss, the Vees record now stands at 17-1 in regular season play.

Hockey

Voyageurs lose two on the road

The Laurentian Voyageurs hockey team lost both road games this weekend. On Friday February 7th the Voyageurs lost to the Windsor Lancers by a score of 6-4. **Kevin Mackay** continued his climb up on the OUAA scoring race with 4 points. **Brad Baber** had 3 points in the game. Vees' scorers were **Cory Evans** and Mackay with one and Baber with two.

On Saturday February 8th, the Vees travelled to London to play the Western Mustangs. Although the Vees outshot Western 33-20, they came up short with a 3-2 loss. **Jeremy Rebek** and **Kiley Hill** scored for the Voyageurs. **Brad Baber** and **Pat Armatage** each had two assists. The two losses put the Vees record at 11-11.

Voyageurs Top Waterloo 5-3

On Friday February 14th, the Vees travelled to Waterloo to defeat the Warriors by a score of 5-3. The win puts the Vees' record at 12-11. Scoring for Laurentian was **Kiley Hill**, **Cory Evans**, **Pat Armatage**, **Kevin Mackay** and **Bryan Ladyk**.

Voyageurs Drop Close Game

On February 15th, the Laurentian Voyageurs hockey team continued their road trip with a 3-1 loss to Wilfrid Laurier. **Cory Evans** scored the Vees' only goal. The loss puts Laurentian's record at 12-12.

McCarthy shuts out Ryerson

On Saturday February 22nd, the Laurentian Voyageurs beat the Ryerson Rams by a score of 9-0. **Chris McCarthy** recorded his first shutout of the season. **Gary Roach** led the Vees' attack with 4 points. Laurentian's goal scorers were **Kevin Mackay** with a hat trick, **Cory Evans** with 2 and **Pat Armatage**, **Greg Sutherland**, **Bryan Ladyk** and **Kiley Hill** with one. Laurentian's defense had a strong offensive performance. Besides **Roach**, **Dave Graff** also had 4 assists and **Jeremy Rebek** collected 3 assists.

Vees beat Brock 6-2

On Sunday February 23rd, the Voyageurs concluded their OUAA regular season with a 6-2 victory over Brock. The Vees finish second in the Mid West Division with a record of 14-12. **Brad Baber** led Laurentian with two goals and an assist. Other scorers for the Voyageurs were **Gary Roach**, **Kiley Hill**, **Bryan Ladyk** and **Jeff Paquette**. **Dave Graff** continued his strong offensive play with two assists. Laurentian begins its playoff drive with a one game playoff series with Brock. The game is this Wednesday February 26th at 7:00 pm in the Sudbury Arena.

The Ontario Track and Field Association Championships were held at York University this weekend. **Shane Rosatti** continued his solid season as he finished second in the long jump with a jump of 6.73m. Rosatti was also eighth in the 200m with a time of 22.99 seconds. **John Thompson** finished thirteenth in the 800m with a time of 2:01.57.

Aqua Vees host OUAA Championships

by Erik White
Contributor

From February 14 to February 16, fifteen teams from across the province gathered at Laurentian's Olympic Gold Pool to battle for swimming supremacy. Thanks to great personal efforts by all the Vees, Laurentian finished fourth in the overall standings. They finished behind Guelph (3rd), Toronto (2nd) and the McMaster Marauders, who won their fifth consecutive OUAA championships and enjoyed a celebratory swim afterwards, along with several members of Laurentian's team. This ties the Vees highest standing ever at the OUAA Championships.

This year's meet was the debut for three new events, the 50m butterfly, 50m backstroke and 50m breaststroke, at which Voyageur swimmers excelled.

As their banner, and the Vees themselves proclaimed, they weren't going to let it happen in their "house", and Jamie Bretzlaff's team did not disappoint.

Third year Voyageur Brad Johnson lead the way with three gold medals in the 100m freestyle, 50m freestyle and 100m butterfly, along with a silver in the 50m butterfly. On account of this fantastic performance, Brad was named "Swimmer of the Meet", and his teammates declared, with their enthusiastic cheers, the pool to be "Brad's House".

Other Laurentian swimmers had strong showings as well. This included freshman Vee Fai Yong, who captured a silver in the 100m butterfly and a bronze in the 50m butterfly. Dave Clarke won two bronze medals in the 200m and 50m backstroke events and lone bronze medals were taken home by Jason Wicke and Bill Dewland in the 200m butterfly and 400m individual medley respectively.

For the finals on Sunday, a moderate crowd turned out to support the host Aqua Vees, but their cheers were deafened by the energetic and some times rowdy shouts of the participants, punctuated by occasional air horn blasts. The swimmers were especially loud during the showcase 4 x 100m freestyle relay final.

OUAA coach of the year honours were awarded to Al Fairweather of the 3rd place Guelph Gryphons, who was subsequently shown what the water was like when his swimmers dumped him into the pool.

The next swimming action for the Vees takes place next weekend (Feb. 28-Mar. 2) when Bill Dewland, Dave Clarke, John Howard, Brad Johnson, Jason Wicke and Fai Yong will be heading to Brock for the CIAU Championships.

Vees Destroy Gaiters

by Julie Dion
Staff Writer

The Lady Vees faced the Bishop's Gaiters on Friday night (Feb. 7) in the Ben Avery Gym. Joy McNichol was back in action for the first time after reinjuring her shoulder a couple of weeks ago. McNichol was sporting a brace on her shoulder, but was playing well. The first half was tight as Laurentian struggled to establish momentum. Towards the end of the half, however, the Lady Vees pulled it together and took control of the game. At half time the score was 35 - 25.

During the second half Laurentian continued to dominate despite Bishop's' aggressive and physical style. With less than five minutes left in the game disaster struck, as Joy McNichol dislocated her shoulder once again. The Vees carried on to win the game 49 - 39 as McNichol was taken to hospital.

Katie Malone expressed her disappointment at McNichol's reinjury. "We were excited to be playing with Joy again." Malone also admitted that the Lady Vees are "struggling with momentum right now."

Coach Shirlene McLean agrees with Malone's assessment. "It's the same old thing," McLean said, "we're inconsistent. We play good basketball in spurts."

High scorer for Friday night's game was Shelley Dewar with 11 points, followed by Katie Malone with 9. The Lady Vees are currently ranked sixth in the nation and their record is 9 - 4.

The men's basketball team also took on Bishop's on Friday night. The stands were packed with enthusiastic fans as the Voyageurs dominated the first half. It wasn't all good, however, as some of Laurentian's best players, however, were missing easy shots. In spite of this, Adam Dusome and Jason Hurley were right on target, especially when it came to three-pointers.

During the second half, Laurentian let down the intensity and allowed Bishop's to get back in the game. With a little more than a minute left, Bishop's was within four points of Laurentian (73 - 69). Due to flawless shooting from the free throw line by rookie Vee Ted Dongelmans and Dusome in the last minute of the game, Laurentian held Bishop's off with a final score of 77 - 69. Dusome was high scorer of the game with 19 points and Hurley followed with 16.

Coach Peter Campbell felt that "at moments we played well. At other moments we were brain dead. For long periods of time we played stupid basketball. At these moments we allowed Bishop's to get into the game." Campbell gave credit to Bishop's saying that, "they're a good team." He also acknowledged that some of Laurentian's best players were missing shots.

Laurentian's mens' team is currently ranked second in the nation. Jason Hurley pointed out that, "we certainly didn't play like that tonight." Hurley attributes their success (they're now a perfect 13-0) to "really good players." Hurley mentioned Cory Bailey, who was an all-Canadian last year, and Shawn Swords who is one of the top 15 players in Canada. Hurley also added that the team has "really good outside players and the point guards are good defensively."

OUAA/OWIAA Ski Championships!

by Bronwen Davies/Staff Writer

Diane Carlsson, a masters student in the LU biology department, claimed two medals at the OUAA/OWIAA nordic ski championships this past weekend (Feb. 22 and 23). The Vees all remained in Sudbury over the Spring Break to train and rest for the championships. They left on Friday for their "voyage" to North Bay. The regular 1.5 hour drive took a full 3 hours as northern Ontario got a 30 cm dump of snow.

It was still snowy and cold on Saturday morning when the men took on the field of 65 competitors. The races were delayed by a half hour so that the course could be packed and groomed (not that it did lot of good!) In their 10 km race, Tim Heale of Sudbury placed fourth in a time of 33:15. James Ans, a fourth year phys. ed. student, was not far behind in sixth (33:50). Rookie Kristian Bischoff was 27th with a time of 38:20. Ben Stevenson, a third year english major, was 35th.

When the men were all finished, it was time for the women to show their stuff. Diane Carlsson battled her way to a third place finish and a bronze medal, her first medal for the day. Carlsson finished the 5km event in 20:12. Next for the Vees, Laura Hubbard, a 3rd year geology student placed 10th. Just seconds behind was Carol Cox in 11th place. Bronwen Davies placed a disappointing 12th while rookie Megan Cumming was 33rd.

After only a few hours' rest, the Vees competed in the skating relays. The men skied a 3X7km event with veteran Jamie Ans out first. Ans brought the LU team in first as he tagged off to Kristian Bischoff. Bischoff skied a good race before tagging off to the anchor, Tim Heale. The team finished 5th, same as the previous year.

The women were led by Carol Cox, who finished the 3.5km course in 2nd position. Cox tagged off to Laura Hubbard, who maintained the women's position and gained 10 seconds on Lakehead. She then tagged off to anchor Diane Carlsson. Carlsson brought the team in for her second medal of the day, a silver.

Sunday's temperatures plummeted to a balmy -23°C. The races were delayed an hour while the skiers waited for the mercury to reach -20°C. The women were out first for the 8.3km classic race. Carlsson again led the women's team, placing 7th. Davies raced better, placing 8th. Laura Hubbard finished in 13th. Carol Cox took 20th and Megan Cumming was 24th.

The men skied 16.6km and were led by James Ans, who placed 6th in a time of 51:50. Ben Stevenson had an amazing race, ending up in 11th position (52:50). Tim Heale had a disappointing day, placing 30th, while Kristian Bischoff finished 43rd.

The women's team was 2nd overall in the event, only a few points behind Lakehead. The men remained in their 5th place position. First for the men was taken by the University of Waterloo. Both the men and the women had a great weekend, capping off an exciting season.

The team would like to thank all those people who travelled up to cheer them on. It was fun to have spectators! Also, thanks to our coaches, Dave Battison and Shirley Pommier, for all your great support! Congratulations to everyone on a great season!

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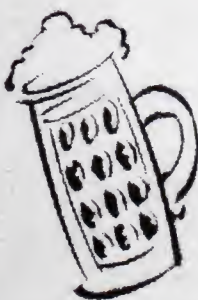
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